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EGYPT.

The Account on the Life of the Viceroy.

REUTER's news dispatch states that the intended message on the life of the Viceroy on April 9, which has caused so much speculation, is such mystery that great doubts have been thrown upon its reality, and some have even proved to be an impossible fact. A correspondent of the English, French, Italian, and German Consuls at Cairo, has been questioned respecting the affair, and their first opinion was that the whole was a fiction, but upon further inquiry they have come to the conclusion that it was actually intended to assassinate not only the Viceroy, but also his principal Ministers, who accompanied him to the Centre. The fact that on the most authentic form of the case they have as present transpired the Sheikh has been slaying for every opportunity, thus giving the actors in the plot every opportunity for the execution of their design, which was very simple. The bomb, a bottle of wood, was placed in the box in the nearest to the stage, on the left hand side. His Highness, during his speech, was in a highly nervous state, and in the place he found the bomb machine, composed of an earthenware vessel, at the bottom of the machine was a bag of powder, upon that another layer of powder, and on the top of all a layer of bullets and small pieces of glass. Before each layer was placed a quantity of powder, and the main quantity that was used, was sufficient to complete the work of destruction. A wick, impregnated with some inflammable matter, was thrown down the wall, and hidden underneath, so as to be in the side scene, where it could easily be lighted. The committee of inquiry still continue their investigations, and it is said that all the actors in the affair are not yet in custody. It is generally supposed that the promoters of the Imperial Ministry, and the Ex-Viceroy, Ismail Pasha, are not the only persons who are implicated in the affair. The Ex-Viceroy, Ismail Pasha, is now in Rome, and I have seen in the Royal Palace, painted by POMARA, a fresco of the assassination of the Duke of Parma, standing by this place and [illegible]

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Southerner, Senor MARTINOLA and his friends [illegible] MARTINOLA, the [illegible] Senor MARTINOLA, who will persist in regarding the Pope as a brother in humanity, who [illegible] Christianity, which is [illegible] Christ, and who [illegible] Christ, who [illegible] Christ, who [illegible] Christ,

CHARITABLE REFORM.

The Massachusetts Board of State Charities—Advanced Views on the Subject of Public Charity.

The Massachusetts Board of State Charities, though created only some five years since, has already made itself famous among the experts in charitable reforms by its Reports, or rather its pamphlets of theories and principles which should lie at the basis of public charities.

Those who have been engaged in certain branches of juvenile charity and reform in New-York, will be more than interested in these Reports to see their own principles—carried out in the City to a certain degree in private, unconscious, but against much opposition—fully recognized, and recommended for entire adoption by all hospitals of public charities for children and youth.

The great questions debated throughout the whole field of the treatment of unfortunate, deserted, criminal and foundling children, are the respective merits of "the individual and the congregated plan"—"the Family" and "the Asylum" systems. A large number of persons now in various countries who have devoted themselves to the subject of the care of the neglected juvenile classes, both as a science and a profession, have come to certain conclusions, which they hold as demonstrated propositions, and which they believe are to be the foundations of any improved treatment in the future of these unfortunate castes.

They take the ground that the family is the best of all institutions for a child, whether he be blind, or mute, or orphan, or neglected, or criminal, (if moderately so,) or foundling. The great end, they note, of all charitable and reformatory treatment is development of character; and this, for a child, is best of all accomplished by individual influences—those of a family and a home.

Aggregation in large institutions breeds numbers of vices, cultivates artificial virtues, fosters temptations, diminishes physical power, unfits for practical life, and is very expensive to the public.

Where the real family cannot be obtained for our children, with sufficient safeguards of age and education, then the modern idea of the true reformatory demands that the asylum in place of retention should be as much as possible the average family home and family; that the buildings should be small and capable of containing only twenty or thirty children, with women in attendance, and housework after rural fashion going on—maintaining the average condition for all children in that of the farm where work is done by the hand, not by machinery, and children of the State must expectedly expect to support themselves by labor in the ground.

This is the theory and practice proved by so many years of thorough trial of the best European reformatory—the *Rauhe Haus* of Hamburg.

All the best reformatories, such as Mettrai, Mr. TUCKER'S, in England, and many others, are formed on a plan of "groups" or separate little families or circles.

As compared with the large asylums or refuges, this system is indeed somewhat more complicated, and demanding more thought and equivalence. It is doubtful if it is more expensive; and, in the nature of things, it must bear far better fruit for the State.

The Massachusetts Board, however, goes much beyond this point in its recommendations and stands substantially on the same ground so long occupied in New-York by the operations of the "Children's Aid Society."

They argue in words which need no emphasizing here on the great dangers which always await the transferring individual duties of charity to the State; and that the true theory and most practical plan seems to be to leave a large proportion of public charity to associations of individuals, but to give them unity and purpose and solidity by State aid and inspection; then everywhere to throw upon individuals the duties and labors which now are performed by asylums, refuges and reformatories. In this way they expect more healthy moral results upon the children themselves, happier lives for the defective, a happier existence for the defective and unfortunate, and a greatly reduced expense to the State.

As an instance of the logical and vigorous method in which the Massachusetts Board have carried out these ideas, we take their treatment of the

FOUNDLING QUESTION.

They show from past history the terrible consequences to foundling infants of the asylum or hospital system; diseases running without check in these caravansaries of infants, so that the average show that out of 100 children entering them only ten escape. In France alone there were 327 foundling asylums, of which 217 had the revolving cradles, where an illegitimate child could be deposited by its mother and no witnesses be present. So terrible have been the moral and physical evils and abuses of these great asylums in France, that three-quarters are now closed and the revolving cradles are mostly abolished.

In accordance with the new ideas there are substituted for the great hospitals for foundlings, small and home-like establishments, one on the spot where the infants of poor people are taken care of while the mothers are at work; (a) temporary homes or transient asylums, and, (c) at least, all the placing the infants as soon as found in ordinary families in the country. The mortality of public foundlings in some instances from sixty per cent to forty, fifty per cent in good asylums, and twenty-five to thirty-five per cent in good single families, which is now the normal death-rate of all infants. The Board accordingly advise strongly against a large State Foundling Hospital, but rather urge the placing by State officials of all motherless and abandoned children to nurse in private families, limiting one child to each family, and paying sufficient compensation to secure good places and careful supervision.

In justification of this recommendation they detail the painful experiences of the Ward's Island Foundling Hospital, which they admit was as well managed as a large institution can be. The tables of mortality show that out of 908 infants admitted into eleven months only 101, or about twenty-five per cent, have died; while of 109 motherless infants only 7, or about twenty per cent, have died.

The physician, (Dr. CASTLE,) sorrowfully admitting that he has scarcely known one motherless infant under six months old at admission and nursed on the bottle by a foster mother, that did not die within three months!

In recommending the method adopted in France of placing children to nurse in private families, they desire the public carefully to distinguish between the public system, known there as the Bureau de Nourrices, or gratuitous *nourrices*, and the private bureaux for *nourrices* places, which have been the scenes of shocking abuses; the mortality under the former being reduced almost to the usual death rate.

The "boarding-out policy" seems to be even more fully carried out in Prussia. In Berlin more than half the pauper children annually dealt with. Some 300 are distributed about in cottages in Brandenburg alone, the clergy voluntarily exercising supervision over those in villages. And when an asylum is employed, it is made up of a number of houses, with a comparatively small number in each.

The present writer has had occasion to examine a similar system in Norway, where it has been very successful.

The idea of every healthy child in an double a great accumulated loss to a community like ours. Moreover, humanity and Christianity demand that we should guard the lives of the helpless infants of the State. Now, thousands are thrown to one destroyed, either in infancy or childhood, or by large and badly-planned asylums, with fifteen deaths to thirteen births, or, finally, thrown on human care, amongst foster-mothers, from a criminal class.

The first course is cruel against those weak scions, as usual, the weakest ones—not providing the secret revolving cradle, which makes abandonment too easy, but, on the other hand, requiring every orphan to be sent to a small criminal institution before a child can be provided for, thus tempting to infanticide. Let us have rather in New-York a transient infant Asylum, open on certain reasonable conditions, to all mothers with children, or all deserted infants, but where they shall be but a few hours, and from which the unhappy foundlings can be continually boarded out in country families. As the Massachusetts Board wisely warns, "Let us beware of great Foundling Asylums."

REFORMATORIES.

The report arrives in the same correct manner against establishing large numbers of neglected or delinquent children in great establishments. The mutual influence of such children upon one another, they pronounce utterly corrupting and degrading. "The most potential agency for good, to wit, the healthful influence of the natural family, is necessarily excluded; and a woman is seldom seen." The influence of instructors and others in an institution compared with the social atmosphere, the public opinion of the boys themselves.

They object very strongly even to the "school plan" on this ground. And every new large asylum or refuge for children they regard "as a blot rather than an ornament to the social fabric." They believe that even those who have committed some petty criminal offence, or who have been arrested as street vagrants, would, after a temporary confinement, and sometimes with no confinement at all, do better scattered about in families than in the best congregated asylum. "No watchfulness," they say, "no fidelity, no labors on the part of the managers of such institutions can prevent the evil consequences of the evil principle lying at the foundation of the establishment from cropping out continually, so far marring the administration of the institution and seriously lessening the amount of reformation which they can effect."

Considerations set forth in former reports of this Board make it at least doubtful whether a considerable number of the boys supposed to be reformed by the instrumentality of the institutions are not of such character and disposition as would have done well under ordinary social influences, and without special restraints or oversight, and that another class are more damaged by the self-disposed companionships of their incarceration than improved by the discipline of the reformatory.

Certain it is, that notwithstanding the zealous efforts of those directing our reformatories, so unfavorable is the effect of confinement therein, upon a large class of juveniles, that alone, when experienced in such institutions declare they should have more hope of reforming a boy, if they could take him in all his rags and dirt from the Court that convicts him, than after he has been a year in any of the reformatories."

Their conclusions are that no child in case of these reformatories should be retained longer than a period necessary to find a good place for him; then in indenturing or placing him, they recommend paying the employer something annually, instead of requiring the master to pay when the lad is twenty-one, thus making it for the interest of the employer to treat the child well. They hope thus to diminish the number of the reformatory institutions, and to convert them into mere depots for keeping juveniles of tender age, till they are suitably placed. While the officers would be employed in visiting and looking after these children in their individual homes, the incorrigibles they would have transferred to "houses of correction for juvenile offenders."

They also recommend the employing agents as the source of justice who should be the counselors of deserted children, and be authorized, when deemed desirable, to make temporary provisions for them before placing them in the country. To those familiar with the operations of the New-York Children's Aid Society, it will be remarkable how thoroughly these advanced principles in reformatory science, which are here set down as theory, have been held and carried out into practical results for the last fifteen years in New-York.

This Society, have based all their operations on the principle of the family; taking the natural state for every child, and that no juvenile institution should allow itself to keep these neglected and vagrant children in one establishment any longer than is absolutely necessary, but should constantly seek to place them under the influences of a separate home. Their "lodging-houses" have been simply places of transit, or dwellings where homeless children could be sheltered and instructed till they could be placed in country homes. Their "industrial schools" only train the street children, to bring them under the moral influences of welfare until they can find places for themselves or be placed by others.

Working thus, they are enabled now to provide with employment and homes in the country more than five hundred children a month, who would be vagrants or criminals, or suffering under the evils of poverty and homelessness. The average expense for this most beneficent emigration is no more than $15 per head.

Experience shows that these boys and girls turn out as well, in the average, as the graduates of any asylums or reformatories. Those who have grown up are calling now in their turn for poor children to help and to educate. And the call for them for Western farms and households is greater than the Society can supply.

C. L. B.

APRIL 29, 1869.

MATTERS AT THE CHARLESTOWN NAVY-YARD.—The iron-clads *Dictator* and *Monadnock*, *Wasp* and *Quinnebaug*, are lying at the yard. The *Monitor* has been launched and will receive her machinery in a few days. The *Scott* has left, Rear Commodore Bailey having hoisted his flag on the Pickens St. Apollinc, regarding *infra*'s sailed, and the private bureaux for *nourrices* places, which have been the scenes of shocking abuses; the mortality under the former being reduced almost to the usual death rate.

The "boarding-out policy" seems to be even

INTERNAL REVENUE.

Full Text of the Revenue Decision of Comptroller Brentano.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, INTERNAL REVENUE, NEW BUREAU, OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER, WASHINGTON, April 29, 1869.

SIR: I have examined the questions arising in the case of Messrs. Clark, Dodge & Co., submitted on the 24th inst., and have now the consideration of which I have called, in opinion from Assessor R. R. Wheeler, of the United States District of New-York, which, in substance, is as follows: Messrs. Clark, Dodge & Co. are bankers, and have made loans and sold bills payable on demand, payable at sight, drawn on parties in other cities, and payable in gold, and received in payment therefor, bankers' checks, drafts, and deposits in gold, which they were liable to pay on their capital and deposits to receive for the above credits and deposits, on March 1, 1869, Messrs. Clark, Dodge & Co. applied to you from the Collector of the Assessor, for a special tax, and have been duly assessed, and have paid the same. The question now arises, whether they are liable to a special tax for the year ending April 30, 1869, on the amount of their deposits during the month of November, 1868, the amount of which was reported by the firm and used in their business during that month, and upon the amount of deposits during the month of November, 1869, and that their average for the entire month, which, I hope, not mistake his meaning, I will quote from his communication as follows:

Question 1st.—Can you tell us how much money you have used in your business in January during the month of November, 1869? Answer.—The gross amount of money borrowed by us during the month of November, 1869, divided by the number of days in the month, was an average of $1,796,000.

Question 2d.—In this gross amount included so by you, do you include margins and deposits? Answer.—Yes, I do.

Question 3d.—Of that gross amount, what sum was borrowed mostly used and employed in your business as bankers borrowed from outside? Answer.—Nothing.

Question 4th.—What was received on gross stock or stock transitional? Answer.—None.

Question 5th.—What sum was received? Answer.—The balance of the $1,796,000 mentioned was made up of deposits, and that they were paid on call or from day to day, and amount to say from one day without notice. He explained the manner in which stocks were bought and sold, and the meaning of the term "margine" as used among bankers.

It was admitted that Clark, Dodge & Co. were a firm engaged in banking, and in argument it was also admitted that they were mainly doing business as brokers, and engaged in purchasing and selling stocks. There was no dispute as to the extent of their business as bankers, or as brokers, except as I have above stated, although the amount and extent of their business as bankers, and connected with their business, and the case on the amount were passed when the assessment was taken.

The Assessor assumed them on their capital and included as capital the $1,796,000 borrowed and used in their business. He also assumed them upon $1,796,000 of deposits. Did the law so direct? Is it so? Counsel for appellants contend that we should deduct the amount of the deposits from the amount of the capital, and that the amount of the deposits should be deducted from the amount of the capital, and that the amount of the deposits should be deducted from the amount of the capital, and that the amount of the deposits should be deducted

bilities the following relative strength of the movement, in the point of lawful Money Security, to the previous statement. The Banks owed:

	Apr. 24, '69.	May 1, '69.	May 2, '68.
On deposits	$177,340,000	$183,948,000	$191,202,125
Circulation	34,000,000	33,977,000	34,114,000
Total	$211,340,000	$217,925,000	$225,316,125
25 p. cent. would be	$52,835,000	$54,480,250	$56,329,031
Held in Gold and Coupons, banks	$8,828,285	$8,765,207	$4,898,475
Excess	$9,993,285	$11,285,207	$4,769,444

There has been rather more animation in Money, chiefly in the late afternoon, when the prevailing rate on call was 7 ⅌ cent. The bank return showed a further important gain of strength, as the result of the week's business, including an increase of $6,658,488 in the deposits, $8,527,924 in the legal tender reserve, and $417,207 in the specie item. The loans have been augmented $6,977,088. The circulation has been reduced $33,023.

Gold ranged from 134⅞ to 135 on a more spirited speculation, leaving off steadily at 134¾@134⅞. The French steamer took out $79,405 in specie, making the total exports for the week $907,265. The Alaska arrived Saturday with a California treasure freight of $900,000. Government disbursed through the Sub-Treasury to-day $9,320,933 of coin interest, making a total for the week of $4,722,610. The coin income of the Government from Customs at this port during the week has been $2,341,519.

The month opens on a generally strong and buoyant market for the Public Funds, which are favored by the very light offerings, the growing supply of money at the business centres, and the encouraging gain of the revenues on the expenses of the Government, enabling the Treasury Department to make a further reduction of nearly thirteen and a half millions, in the aggregate of the Public Debt, since April 1, according to the telegraphic advices from Washington. The latest dealings were at the highest figures of the day. The 1862 Five-twenties closed at 118⅝ bid, no the 3 ⅌ cent. May gold coupon, which is equal to fully 122⅝ coupon included. The 1867s were in request at 116¾, and the Ten-forties at 116⅜.

The day's business at the office of the United States Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Total receipts, $1,860,232 48; total payments, $3,638,719 82; balance, $81,085,389 15. The receipts include, for Customs, $394,000; for Gold Notes, $650,000.

There were less extensive dealings in the Railway and Miscellaneous Share line; yet, with exceptionally severe depression in Erie, the changes in values were not remarkably important. Pacific Mail was weak. Reading was adversely affected by rumors of a strike in the Scranton Coal region. Ohio Certificates yielded a little. Most other values were strong and buoyant. The later transactions indicated a firmer tone in the general market, aided by the favorable bank exhibit.

After the late Boards Broke up, the following quotations were made as compared with Friday, night:

	Friday.	Saturday.
United States 10-40s	108½	108½
United States 5-20s of 1862	112⅛	*112⅝
United States 5-20s of 1867	116¾	116⅞
American Gold Coin	134½	134¾
Bills on London, 60 days	109¼	109¼
New Bonds of Tennessee	67⅞	67⅞
Virginia Bonds, old	58⅝	58⅝
Missouri Bonds	88⅝	88¼
North Carolina Bonds, new	55	54⅝
New-York Central	177⅝	177⅞
Reading Railway	96⅝	96¾
Chicago and Rock Island	137⅞	137⅞
Northwest Common	87	87¼
Northwest Preferred	98⅝	98¾
Michigan Southern	103⅝	104
Pittsburg and Fort Wayne	140¼	140
Cleveland and Pittsburg	93⅝	92⅝
Pacific Mail Company	93⅝	92⅝
St. Paul Preferred	87¼	87¼
St. Paul Common	76⅝	76¼
Toledo and Wabash	72¼	72
Ohio and Mississippi	33⅝	33⅝
Mariposa Preferred	43⅝	43⅝
Lake Shore	103	103¼
Hudson River	157¼	157⅞
Louisiana Levee 6s	72¾	*69¼

*Ex coupons.

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States at the close of business:

6 ⅌ cent. coup., 1881	118⅛	5-20 reg., 1867	116
6 ⅌ cent. coup., 1881	118⅛	5-20 coup., 1867	116⅝
5-20 reg., 1862	112	5 ⅌ cent. reg., 1871	115⅝
5-20 coup., 1862	112⅛	5 ⅌ cent. coup., 1871	115⅝
5-20 reg., 1864	111⅝	5 ⅌ cent. reg., 1874	115
5-20 coup., 1864	112⅛	5 ⅌ cent. coup., 1874	115
5-20 reg., 1865	112⅛	10-40 reg	107⅞
5-20 coup., 1865	112⅛	10-40 coup	108⅛
5-20 coup., '65 n.	116⅛	6s Currency, 1881	108⅞

And the following for the State Bonds:

Ill. 6 ⅌ c. c. '79, s&f	79.100%	Louisiana levee bds.	69¼
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. coupons, '77	100¼	Louisiana levee bds.	60
Ill. 6 ⅌ c. coupons, '79	100¼	California 7s	103⅝
Ill. War Loan	100¼	Connecticut 6s	109⅝
Indiana 5 ⅌ c. c. '86	97¾	Georgia 6s	85
Michigan 6 ⅌ ct., '72...'90	100	Alabama 8s	102⅝
Michigan 6 ⅌ ct., '78...	98	N. Y. Reg. B'ty Loan	110
Michigan 7 ⅌ c. W. L. 8s	98	N. Y. Coupon B. Loan	110
Tenn. 6s, old ...	57	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '72	101⅛
Tenn. 6s, new bds	57	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '73	101⅛
Virginia 6s, ex cou	56⅝	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '74	101⅛
Virginia 6s, new bds	56⅝	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '75	101⅛
Georgia 6s, old	85	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '76	101⅛
Georgia 7s, new bds	85⅝	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '77	101⅛
North Carolina 6s	40⅝	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '78	102
North Car. 6s, n. bds	34⅝	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '79	102
Missouri 6s, old	88⅝	N. Y. 6 ⅌ c. Canal, '80	102
Mo., H. & St. Jo. 1s	89⅝	N. Y. 5 ⅌ c. Canal, '75	100
Louisiana 6s	74	N. Y. 5 ⅌ c. Canal, '76	97

And the following for the City Bank Stocks:

New-York	130	American Exchange	111⅛
Manhattan	140	Chatham	120
Mechanics'	128	Bank of the Republic	118
America	142	Hanover	110
Phenix	107	Nassau	105
North River	105	Commonwealth	114
Butchers' & Drovers'	125	Imp. and Traders'	128
National	110⅛	Park	169⅛
Merchants' Ex	116	Central National	110⅛
Seventh Ward	100	First National	125
State of New-York	112	Fourth National	104
Commerce	128		

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883	92	Cleve. & Tol. S. Fund	93
N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1887	92⅝	N. J. Cen. 1st M	100
H. R. 7s, 1st M., 1900-'20	100	New-Jersey Cen. 2d M.	100
H. R. 7s, 2d M. 3d P. '86-'89	102⅛	Mich. S. & N. I. 1st M.	101⅛
H. R. 7s, 2d M., 1895	102⅝	P., Ft. W. & C. 2d M.	81
Harlem 1st M	105	Cleve. & P. 2d M.	93
Mich. C. 2 ⅌ ct. '82-'97	113	Cleve. & P. 4th M.	75
Mich. C. R. 1st M 2s, '82	91	Chi. & Alton S. F.	97
M. S. & N. I. S. F. 6 ⅌ c.	68	Chi. & Alton 1st M	101
Ill. Cen. 7 ⅌ c., 1870	112	Chi. & Alton Inc	90
Alton & T. H. 1st M	92	Ohio & Miss. Con	56
Alton & T. H. 2d M.	70	Ohio & Miss. 2d M.	77
Chi. & N. W. Int. bds.	91⅝	Mil. & Mis. P. 1st M. 6s	103
Tol. & W. 1st M. gtd.	91⅝	Mil. & Mis. P. 1st 7 3-10	92
Tol. & W. Equip. bds.	73	Mil. & St. Paul 1st M.	91⅛
Tol. W. & W. C. 6s, 1st M.	75	Mil. & St. P. L. & M. d.	88
Gt. West'n 1st M. '82	101	Mil. & St. P. L. & M. d.	88
Gt. West'n 2d M. '82	77⅝	Chi. & Mil. 1st M	89
Chi. & R. I. 1st M	93⅝	C. & Ga. Eas'n 1st M.	85⅝
Chi. R. I. & P.	93	Ill. Cen. Chi. & Ind. 1st M	88

The imports (other than dry goods and specie) at the Port of New-York from foreign ports for the week ending April 30, 1869, were $7,023,465.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, May 1, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The *Commercial* of this evening quotes the rate for carrying United States Bonds in London as 6⅛ ⅌ cent.; the Stock Exchange rate for carrying, at the last settlement, (end of April,) was 5 ⅌ cent., and for the middle of April account, 4 ⅌ cent.

He also speaks of a probable advance in the Bank of England rate, when bills are now discounting in the open market at 3¾@4 ⅌ cent.—¼ to 1 ⅌ cent. under the bank rate!

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The officers will take pleasure in showing the vault on application.

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Saturday, May 1, 1869.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

Ashes, bbls	81	Tar, bbls	2,047
Cotton, bales	882	Sp'ts Turp'ne, bbls	116
Eggs, pkgs	2,320	Petroleum, ref., bbls	1,323
Flour, bbls	7,450	Crude, bbls	.....
Flour, kegs	.....	Cut Meats, pkgs	187
Cornmeal, bbls	.....	Lard, pkgs	300
Cornmeal, kegs	1,180	Beef, pkgs	.....
Wheat, bushels	2,000	Beef, hams, pkgs	1,100
Corn, bushels	7,301	Cheese, pkgs	1,325
Rye, bushels	.....	Lard Oil, pkgs	.....
Barley, bushels	1,700	Tallow, pkgs	.....
Malt, bushels	.....	Stearine, pkgs	.....
Oats, bushels	9,284	Stearine, pkgs	.....
Peas, bushels	200	Starch, boxes	1,800
Beans, bushels	400	Tobacco, hhds	402
Dried Fruit, pkgs	40	Tobacco, trs. and cs.	92
Hides, No. hides	300	Whisky, bbls	643
Hemp, bales	11	Wool, bales	48
Hops, bales	194	Oil Cake, pkgs	.....
Seeds, pkgs	12,628	Peanuts, bags	24
Rosin, bbls	661	Rosewood, pkgs	3

The export clearances since our last, as reported at the Merchants' Exchange, Fine-street, have been as follows:

By the ship *Antarctic*, for Liverpool—211 bales Cibbis, 18 packages Clocks, 300 bundles Hay-rakes, 185 packages Clothing, 204 boxes Clothing, 200 bbls. Potatoes, 1,325 bales Cotton, 200 bbls. Syrup, 40 barrels Syrup, 100 bbls. Spirits Turpentine, 2,000 bbls. Rosin, 21 bbls. Brown Oil, 12 N. Starch.

By the brig *Rosalie Emile*, for Ottawa—3,210 bbls. Rosin, 21 bbls. Tar.

By the steamer *Louisiana*, for Liverpool—1,202 bales Cotton, 412 bbls. Rosin, 200 bbls. fish Roes, 300 tcs. Beef, 30 tcs. Lard, 225 bbls. tallow, 724 boxes Bacon, 70 bbls. Pork, 15 tcs. Pork, 70 bbls. Heads, 98 bbls. Tobacco, 40 bales Hogs' Hair.

By the steamship *Perdire* for Havre—1 case silk Ribbons, 57 cases Dress goods, samples, &c., 83 cases Sewing Machines, 400 bags Coffee, 300 bales Cotton, 1,000 bags Cocoa, 19 cases Extracts, 12 cases Whalebone.

By the steamer *City of Paris*, for Liverpool—620 bales cotton, 800 boxes bacon and hams, 2,118 boxes cheese, 62 bales furs, 200 bbls. pork, 45 hhds. tallow, 9 casks beeswax, 41 cases sewing machines, 31 cases patent medicines, 68 cases lard, 10 cases rakes, 8 cases Cotton-gins and pipe.

By the steamer *Moselle*, for Yokohama—52 cases carbines, 2 cases percussion caps, 184 cases cartridges, 1 bale blankets.

By the steamer *Iowa*, for Glasgow—1,070 bbls. Tar, 83 hhds. Tallow, 65 bales Hair, 3 casks Whalebones, 46 cases Machines, 120 tierces Lard, 200 tierces beef, 7,300 boxes Bacon, 2,000 bushels Oats, 200 bbls. Flour, 40 boxes Bacon, 248 bbls. Rosins, 38 bbls. Shoe Pegs, 48 hhds. Bark, 35 bbls. Oxide Zinc.

By the bark *John*, for Gibraltar—194 hhds. Tobacco, 1 package Furniture, 200 bbls. Rosin, 4,000 Staves, 36 packages Furniture, 200 boxes Manufactured Tobacco, 100 boxes Snuff, 10 bbls. Crackers, 35 boxes Crackers.

By the bark *Wanderer*, for Antwerp—2,350 bbls. Refined Petroleum, 1,200 bbls. Spirits Turpentine.

By the ship *City of Sydney*, for London—3,000 bbls. Oil Cake, 4,143 bags Oil Cake, 1,000 Oars, 1,000 bales Hops, 79 packages Wine, 49,659 lbs. Bones, 1,752 bbls. Resin, 40,000 lbs. Rattan.

ASHES—Continue inactive at $7 7⅝@$7 for Pots, and $9 12½@$9 25 for Pearls, ⅌ 100 lbs. Stock, 1,158 bbls.

COFFEE—The market has been very quiet, but quoted firm for all kinds, including Java, 22½@.23c., Rio, 19@.19½c., Laguayra, 18½@.19c., Rio Nuevo, 19½@.19¾c., Maracaibo, 19½@.19¾c.; Laguayra, 19½@.19½c.; Rio, 19@.19½c.; Native Ceylon, 17c.@19½c.; Jamaica, 14½@.15c.; St. Domingo, 19½@.19½c.; Singapore, 16c.@20c.; Mocha, 25@.28c.; Java, 26@.28c.; Costa Rica, 16@.19c.; Manila, 16@.19c.; Mexican, 16c.@18½c.; Curacoa, 16c.@17c.; Angostura, 15c.@18c.; Savanilla, 14½c.@15c., gold. ⅌ lb. Stock, 168,793 bags and 41,808 mats.

COTTON—The market has been quoted a little firmer on a light trade. Sales, 1,382 bales, including 712 bales to shippers, 669 bales to spinners, 11 bales to speculators, and 74 bales in transit. Means, CORNWALL & EMMONS notice the receipts, business, in their Circular of this morning, thus: "Our market for the week has been quiet and heavy on Low Grades of Cotton, while for Low Middlings, and above, the demand has been good, and prices firm. Of the Low Grades there is a full supply offering on the market, while Good Ordinary are very scarce. The total sales for the week have been 12,400 bales, including those taken by spinners, 1,216 bales to speculators, 5,336 bales to exporters, and 1,354 bales in transit. Sales of average Low Middlings are reported as follows: For April, 100 bales at 27¼c.; for June, 300 bales at 28c.; for September, 100 bales at 28½c.; for December, 100 bales at 29c.; for January, 100 bales at 29c. The exports from this port for the week have been, to Liverpool, 7,679 bales; to Glasgow, 90 bales; to Havre, 2,200 bales; to Hamburg, 1,000 bales; to Genoa, 1,000 bales. The exports from all ports for the week have been, to Liverpool, 27,000 bales; to Continent, 4,168 bales; To-tal, 31,382 bales." The receipts to-day were only 382 bales; export clearances, 4,49 bales.

Closing Prices of Cotton to-day:

	Uplands.	Mobile.	N. O.	Texas.
Ordinary, ⅌ lb.	25	25½	25½	25⅝
Good-Ordinary	28⅝	28⅝	28⅝	29
Low Middling	27⅝	28	28	28⅝
Middling	28⅝	29	29	29⅝

Movements of Cotton at this Port.

	Bales.
Receipts this week	6,619
Receipts last week	8,816
Receipts preceding week	6,060
Receipts since Jan. 1	260,000
Receipts year ending Sept. 1, 1868	406,114
Receipts year ending Jan. 1, 1868	377,622
Receipts year ending Sept. 1, 1867	422,310
Exports since Jan. 1	124,748
Exports year ending Sept. 1, 1868	395,522
Exports year ending Jan. 1, 1868	366,259
Exports year ending Sept. 1, 1867	376,932
Estimated stocken hand here	90,000

Movements of Cotton at all the Shipping Ports.

Receipts from Sept. 1, 1868, to latest mail dates	2,052,000
Receipts from same time in 1867-'68	2,037,300
Receipts at all the ports year ending Sept. 1, 1868	2,340,322
Receipts at all the shipping ports of the United States from the commencement of the war, May 1, 1861, to Sept. 1, 1867	4,522,328
Exports from all the ports from Sept. 1, 1868, to latest dates	1,176,000
Exports same time last year	1,070,000
Exports from all the ports year ending Sept. 1, 1868	1,667,015
Exports year ending Sept. 1, 1867	1,438,797
Estimated stock at the shipping ports, latest mail dates	307,000
Estimated stock same time last year	224,000
Estimated stock on hand at all ports, Aug. 31, 1868	39,139
Estimated stock same time in 1867	30,288
Crop of 1867-8	2,420,000
Crop of 1866-7	1,930,000

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been inactive to-day. Low grades have been quoted rather stronger on a light offering. Other kinds dull and heavy. Sales have been reported since our last of 4,050 bbls., including very inferior to choice Superfine State and Western at $5 90@$5 95; very inferior to fair ordinary Extra State at $5 97½@$6 25; fair ordinary to choice genuine Spring Wheat Extra State at $6 30@$6 50; and best to go off shipping brands of round-hoop Extra Ohio at $6 60@$6 75. We quote:

Superfine State and Western	$5 90@$5 95
Extra State, good to choice	6 00@6 50
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, shipping brands	6 60@6 75
Extra Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, &c.	6 00@6 75
Extra Ohio, round-hoop, shipping brands	6 60@6 75
Extra Ohio, trade and family brands	6 80@7 50
Extra Genesee	7 00@7 75
Common to Fancy in Extra Missouri	7 10@11 50

Southern Flour is quiet at previous prices; sales have been reported since our last of 325 bbls., at $6 20@$6 90 for very poor to fair ordinary, and $7 20@$11 75 for fair ordinary to very choice Extra. 2 bbls. of Rye Flour are reported at $7 75@$10 for Extras, ⅌ 196 lbs.; sales, 200 bbls. and sacks. Rye Flour is in moderate request at $4 50@$5 75 for very inferior to very choice. Brandywine is steady at $8 25@$8 50. Corn-meal is quiet at $4 30@$4 75 for Western, $4 35@$4 45 for Jersey, and $4 75 for Brandywine, ⅌ bbl.; sales, 450 bbls.

GRAIN—Wheat has been very quiet, but rather more firmly held. Sales have been reported since our last of 22,000 bushels, including White western on private terms; Amber Western at $1 32@$1 33; No. 2 Chicago, at $1 30; Amber Michigan, at $1 32; and No. 2 Milwaukee, at $1 30@$1 31. Rye is quiet and steady. Sales of 1,000 bushels, including Western at $1 25@$1 26; State at $1 27@$1 30; and Western at $1 30@$1 32, ⅌ bushel. Corn has been quoted much firmer, particularly New mixed, which has been less freely offered. Sales have been reported since our last of 97,000 bushels, including 15,000 bushels Western at 80c.@81c.; 15,000 bushels at 81c., for Old Mixed West-ern; 15,000 bushels at 82c., for No. 2, delivered; 8,000 bushels at 83c. for White and Yellow Jersey, Western and Southern, and 82c.@83c. for unsound, ⅌ bushel. Rye has been inactive, but quoted steady at $1 40@$1 45 for State and Western, ⅌ bushel; sales, 1,000 bushels. Barley has been rather more freely offered and purchased at easier prices; sales 27,500 bushels at $1 35 for State and Canadian, and $1 37½ in part for Canadian in bond, ⅌ bushel. Barley Malt is very dull at $1 10@$1 20, ⅌ bushel. Oats have been in request and quoted firm; sales have been reported of 29,000 bushels Western at 62c.@64½c., chiefly at 63c., in store, and 64c.@65c., from dock, and delivered, ⅌ bushel. The steamship *Texas*, for Glasgow, takes out 7,300 bushels Wheat and 24,000 bushels Corn.

HAY—Bale Hay has been quiet to-day at from 90c. @$1 for shipping, and 90c.@$1 20 for Poor to Choice, for local use, ⅌ 100 lbs. Straw is in demand at 75c.@$1 10 for Long and Short, ⅌ 100 lbs.

HOPS—Are quoted at 30c.@$1 for prime, including Aromatic, 15c.@20c. for New, and 2c.@5c. for Old, ⅌ lb. We quote in detail thus: New-York State, 40@52c.; Eastern, 35@40c.; Wisconsin, 25@30c.; Michigan, 35c. @40c.; Yearlings, all grades, 35@40c.

HIDES—The week's receipts have been 108,788 Hides; sales 62,400 Hides; the latter including, according to Messrs. DAY & CO., 25,000 Dry Buenos Ayres, 20@21½ lbs., 21c.@22c., gold, usual selection; 8,000 Dry Rio Grande Seconds, 20@21½ lbs., private terms; 5,000 Dry Rio Grande Seconds, 18½ lbs., private terms; 1,000 Dry Rio Grande Seconds, 19½ lbs., private terms; 2,000 Dry Rio Grande Seconds, 19½ lbs., 19½c., gold, as they run; 1,000 Dry Rio Grande Seconds, 19 lbs., 19½c., gold, usual selection; 1,000 Dry Texas, 20 lbs., private terms; 1,000 Dry Few-as-Flats, 18½ lbs., 19½c., gold, as they run; 1,000 Dry Matamoras, 20 lbs., private terms; 500 Dry Mexican, 23 lbs., private terms; 1,000 Dry Texas, 19½@21 lbs., private terms; 3,000 Dry Texas, 21 lbs., 22½c., currency, as they run; 300 Dry Texas Kips, 12 lbs., private terms; 400 Wet-Salted Rio Grande, 41½ lbs., 12½c., gold, usual selection; 4,000 Wet-Salted Texas, 42 lbs., private terms; 1,500 Wet-Salted Para, 46 lbs., 11c., gold, usual selection; 4,000 Wet-Salted Texas, 42@52 lbs., private terms; 2,000 City Slaughters, 60@65 lbs., 11½c. @11¾c., gold; 700 City Slaughters, 57 lbs., private terms. The stock on hand of Ox and Cow Hides is 128,100 Hides, (same time last year 161,200—year before, 122,000,) as follows: 43,000 Dry Buenos Ayres and Cordovan; 3,000 Dry Texas; 2,000 Dry Rio Grande; 4,000 Dry California; 1,600 Dry Rio Janeiro; 3,500 Dry African; 16,000 Dry Central American; 800 Dry Porto Cabello; 3,000 Dry Vera Cruz and Tampico; 900 Dry Port au Prince; 11,000 Dry Mexican; 10,000 Dry Texas; 1,400 Dry-Salted Pernambuco; 3,400 Dry-Salted Maracaibo; 1,000 Wet-Salted Rio Grande Cow; 600 Wet-Salted Rio Janeiro.

CALF SKINS—Has been held very firmly, but has been inactive. Manila, 12½c.@12½c., gold, ⅌ lb. Stock of all kinds, 78,700 and 16,122 bales of Foreign, and 670 bales of American.

MOLASSES—Has been quite dull but steady to-day. We quote: Old and new crop Porto Rico at 40c. @70c.; Cuba at 30c.@32c.; New-Orleans at 70c.@80c. ⅌ gallon. Stock, 11,488 hhds., and 1,600 bbls. We quote in detail, thus:

Cuba Centrifugal and Mixed, ⅌ gallon	30c.@32c.	—@—
Cuba Muscovado	27c.@32c.	28c.@32c.
Cuba Muscovado, refining grades, ⅌ gallon	30c.@32c.	32c.@33c.
Cuba Muscovado, grocery grades, ⅌ gallon	—@—	35c.@38c.
Porto Rico, ⅌ gallon	42c.@65c.	35c.@70c.
English Island, ⅌ gallon	40c.@45c.	35c.@70c.
New-Orleans, ⅌ gallon	—@—	70c.@80c.

NAVAL STORES—Spirits Turpentine has shown more weakness on a falling off in buyer inquiry. Sales have been reported of about 100 bbls., in assorted lots, at $1 05@$1 06, for lots of merchantable and $1 06@$1 07, and 200 bbls. in shipping order, at $1 07@$1 08, ⅌ gallon. The receipts since our last have been 111 bbls.; export clearances, 100 bbls., by the bark *Wanderer*, for Antwerp. The stock in yard this morning was 2,956 bbls. Crude Turpentine has been very dull, with a stock of only 840 bbls. available in Philadelphia, and no inquiry. Rosin has been in good request at steady rates, partly for export. The receipts have been 2,047 bbls.; export clearances, 2,146 bbls.; stock in yard this morning, 32,022 bbls. Rosin in Boston has been very dull and heavy, and have been decidedly lower, especially on low grades, which closed quite poor. Advices have been received from Wilmington, N. C., of sales, 1,700 bbls. at $2 50@$3 for strained, chiefly at the latter price; 1,000 bbls. No. 2, part at $2 70@$2 85; 100 bbls. No. 1 and 50 bbls. Pale on private terms, ⅌ 280 lbs. The receipts have been 83 bbls. exports, 1,000 bbls. Crude Turpentine remains in the dullest state, and we have heard of no sales of any importance, at $2 50@$3 for Hard, and $4 50@$5 for Soft, ⅌ 280 lbs. Tar is very dull, with a stock of only 840 bbls. available in Wilmington, N. C., and no inquiry. Pitch is quiet, but rather firmer, and we hear of sales of 500 bbls. at $2 75@$2 80, ⅌ 280 lbs.

PETROLEUM—The offerings of all kinds of Oil have been on a moderate scale, holders evincing more firmness. Crude, in bulk, has been in some request for the heads of all grades, and prices have advanced to 20c. ⅌ gallon; but no important sales were reported. No receipts of Crude were noted here. At Philadelphia the arrivals were on bbls. Refined has been less active and lower, particularly for export, particularly at Philadelphia. Sales have been reported here of job lots of Standard White, on the spot, at 23½c.@23¾c.; 800 bbls. do., last half of May delivery, at 23½c.; 1,000 bbls. do., August, at 24c., ⅌ gallon. Also at Philadelphia, 2,500 bbls. do. at 23½c@23¾c., chiefly at 23½c., the ruling price at the close; and 1,000 bbls. do., last half of May delivery, on private terms, ⅌ gallon. The receipts were 1,285 bbls. here, and 1,000 bbls. at Philadelphia. The export clearances hence have been 3,100 bbls. Refined Petroleum, by the bark *Wanderer*, for Flushing.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been dull and heavy to-day, closing lower. Sales have been reported since our last of 1,000 bbls., in lots, at $30 87@$31 25, closing at $31 12½ regular for New Mess; $30 75 for Old Mess; $28 25@$28 75 for Western Prime Mess; $26 50 for Clear, and $25 75@$26 25 for Prime and Extra Prime ⅌ bbl. Stock 81,417 bbls., against 14,775 bbls. April 1, 1868, and 43,000 bbls. May 1, 1868. Cut Meats continue quiet and heavy; sales equal to 170 packages, at 10½c. for Dry-Salted and Pickled Hams, and 12½c.@13½c. for Shoulders ⅌ lb. Bacon has been dull and heavy; sales of 60 boxes, including Cumberland, at 15½c., and Long Rib private terms ⅌ lb. Lard is unsettled; sales have been reported since our last of 600 tierces and bbls. at 17½c.@18½c. for Prime to very Choice, chiefly at 18c., for City, and 18c. for Prime Western Steam ⅌ lb. Beef continues in moderate request at $12@$13 for Plain Mess; $12@$13 for Extra Mess, and $26@$31 for interior grades of barrels Mess Beef. Tierces are neglected. Tierce Beef is quite dull, including New Prime Mess at $20@$21; Indian Mess at $22@$23 ⅌ tierce; sales 70 tierces. Stock of Beef 47,622 packages, against 38,111 packages April 1, 1868, and 15,000 packages May 1, 1868. Beef Hams are quiet at $26@$27 ⅌ bbl.; sales 250 bbls. Butter and Cheese are in demand and steady. We quote:

OLD CROP BUTTER.

State firkins, Extra Yellow, ⅌ lb	30c.@40c.
State firkins, Fair to Good, ⅌ lb	30c.@35c.
Welsh tubs, Fair to Good, ⅌ lb	37c.@38c.
Western firkins, Fair to Good, ⅌ lb	30c.@40c.
Canada, Fair to Good, ⅌ lb	30c.@40c.
Western and Canada, Common, ⅌ lb	25c.@35c.

NEW CROP BUTTER.

State half firkin tubs, Good to Extra, ⅌ lb	40c.@41c.
State Welsh tubs, Good to Choice, ⅌ lb	37c.@38c.
Orange and Sussex fresh pails, Good to Extra, ⅌ lb	40c.@45c.
Western firkins, Fair to Good, ⅌ lb	30c.@37c.
State and Western, Common, ⅌ lb	20c.@25c.

CHEESE.

Factory dairies, fancy and Cheddar shapes, ⅌ lb	21	22
Factory dairies, fair quality, ⅌ lb	20	20½
Factory dairies, inferior quality, ⅌ lb	17	19
Farm dairies, fair to good, ⅌ lb	20	21

RICE—Has been quiet but steady. Stock, 1,628 tierces, Carolina, and 1,000 tierces East India.

SUGARS—Have been dull to-day, but held firmly. Sales have been reported of only 100 hhds. Havana at from 12c.@12c. ⅌ lb. Fair to good refining grades have been quoted firm at 11½c.@11¾c.; prime to good grocery grades at from 12c.@12½c.; very good to strictly prime do. at 12½c.@12¾c. ⅌ lb. Raw Rice grocery grades ranged from 12c.@12½c. ⅌ lb. Stock in port, 18,000 hhds., 3,000 tierces. The market continues in very moderate demand at 14c.@15c. ⅌ lb. Stock in store and afloat, 111,000 boxes.

TALLOW—Sales have been reported of 147,000 lbs. Tallow at 10.50@10.60c. ⅌ lb., cash, and 10½c. for Prime, delivery in 30 days; 10c. for Prime, delivery in 60 days. Stearine at 17½c.@19½c., and 24,000 lbs. Grease at 10c.@12½c. ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—Has been quoted up to 94c.@96c. ⅌ gallon, with sales of 200 bbls. reported to the trade, duty paid.

FREIGHTS—Have been very quiet, with 204 vessels of all classes in port. For Liverpool, there were taken, by steamer, a small load of Wheat at 4d. ⅌ bushel. For London, 50 tons of Cheese at 35s. ⅌ ton; a line of Hops at 5d. ⅌ lb.; 50 bales Tobacco at 5s.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The English Press continue to review Mr. SUMNER's speech on the *Alabama* claims, which occasions no little anxiety in political circles. The *Times*, at the conclusion of a long article, says the Queen's proclamation of neutrality at the beginning of the rebellion was a prohibition, not an authorization of blockade-runners. Instructions have been sent to Commodore PHILLIMORE, commanding the British West India Squadron, to demand of the Spanish authorities in Cuba the restoration of the brig *Mary Lowell* and an apology for her seizure.

In the Spanish Cortes on Saturday Deputy ESTRADA's amendment to the Constitution abolishing the prerogative of the Crown in ecclesiastical matters was rejected. The limitation of the spiritual jurisdiction of the Church was then discussed until adjournment.

The Russian Government is persevering in the line of moderate and judicious progress. The Council of State is devising means for enlarging the powers of the local municipalities, and the Press laws are to be modified in a liberal sense.

By the arrival of the steamship *Hermann*, from Bremen, April 17, and Southampton, April 20, we are in receipt of mail news later by two days than was already at hand. Foreign letters and extracts of interest thus received will be found elsewhere.

SOUTH AMERICA.

According to recent advices from Paraguay the partisans of President LOPEZ were numerous and active in the Cerroleon and Logos districts, where they were pursuing a guerrilla warfare. The allies sent a gunboat expedition up the Parana River, which had returned and reported that no fortifications had been discovered on the banks. PARANHOS, with 3,000 men, was on the eve of marching for Villa Rica, which was still in the possession of the Paraguayans.

MEXICO.

The insurgent Colonel PALACIO, after leaving Culiacan, made his way to the town of Tutela, his force having increased to four hundred men by recruits on the road. General DARA was sent after him from Mazatlan, and according to reports an engagement occurred between the insurgents and the Government troops, in which the latter lost two hundred men. It is stated that General DARA's force was crippled by desertions. The battle appears to have taken place at Tamasula, 110 miles east of Culiacan, in Sinaloa.

GENERAL.

At Amherstburg, Canada, the propeller *Dominion* collided with the schooner *E. W. Head* Saturday night, carrying away some of the upper works, and breaking the steam chest. Subsequently, while at anchor off Point au Pelee, the propeller was again run into by the schooner *Bigelar*, doing further damage.

A severe westerly gale at the mouth of the Mississippi, swept away the galleries of the light-house and light-keeper's dwelling at Southwest Pass, destroyed the light-house boats and blew five feet of water into the light-house and dwelling. The buildings settled one foot. The storm also damaged the rigging of vessels at the Pass.

A warrant for the arrest of J. C. FORRES, of the brig *Colson*, has been issued upon the affidavit of Supervisor CREBOT, at New-Orleans. He is charged with fraudulently branding 3,000 boxes of tobacco. Mr. CREBOT on Saturday also seized 100 boxes of tobacco shipped from Augusta, Ga. He has left for Mississippi to examine into other alleged irregularities.

The late rains are proving very disastrous in Alabama. Many of the streams are out of their banks, and much cotton and corn has been drowned. The rains still continue, and the farmers are much depressed.

A barrel of gasoline, standing before the lamp-store of A. H. BOTSFORD, in Second-street, near Pine, St. Louis, took fire Saturday morning, and the lower floor of the building was pretty well burned. The second floor was badly damaged by water, and much of the stock was destroyed. The banking-house of C. H. LAMY & BRO., adjoining, was badly scorched, but was not materially damaged. The loss was not ascertained.

During the administration of Mayor WENTWORTH deeds were forged in the name of that official and other parties, conveying to them public lands in the City of Chicago valued at over half a million of dollars. In December last a bill was filed in the Superior Court for the purpose of having the conveyance of one of the parcels of land declared void, and compelling IRA JUDD, one of the parties above mentioned, to execute a quit claim deed to the city. The Court decreed the forged instruments utterly void, and JUDD was ordered to execute the quit claim deed required. This, of course, was a test case, and the ruling will apply to all the others.

In Cincinnati, Friday night, trustees and a Board of Managers, the latter consisting of ladies, were elected for the House of the Friendless. A number of benevolent gentlemen turned over to the trustees a new building for the institution worth $25,000, built by their contributions. The institution is for reforming abandoned women. The new building has a capacity for forty inmates.

An unknown woman, young and nicely dressed, committed suicide by drowning herself in a pond at New-Utrecht, L. I., on Saturday.

The British steamer *St. George*, which struck on the Blonde Rock, off the coast of Maine, will be a total wreck.

A committee, of which Hon. ISRAEL T. HATCH is chairman, has been appointed by the Board of Trade of Buffalo to visit Albany and cooperate with the Committee of the Commercial Convention from Chicago, to secure from the Legislature a reduction of tolls on eastward bound grain on the Erie Canal.

The convicts in the chair shop at Sing Sing Prison attacked a keeper in their room, on Friday, and beat him in a severe manner. The cause has not been ascertained.

The *Southern Opinion*, heretofore published at Richmond, Va., announced its last publication Saturday morning. The editor says that he has for some time thought that, perhaps, the mission of the *Southern Opinion* had been fulfilled, and adds that the distinct Southern principles upon which the paper was founded are dead in the hearts of the people. He further says: "Another fact which we cannot but recognize is, that no cause, however just and good, can long outlive defeat."

The health of ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS exhibited improvement yesterday.

The propeller *St. Albans* arrived at Oswego Saturday, from Milwaukee, with a cargo of wheat. This is the first arrival from Lake Michigan since the opening of navigation.

In Springfield, Ill., a boy named FINLEY, about 14 or 15 years old, who was bitten by a dog five years ago, was attacked on Saturday morning by decided symptoms of hydrophobia.

The Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad Company have petitioned for aid from the State in the completion of its road, and in building a sea wall around its flats on the northerly shore of South Boston.

The Yale and Harvard freshmen will row a six-oared race of three miles at the coming University regatta in Worcester, Mass.

GEORGE W. PERKINS, Esq., Superintendent of the Chicago Reform School, has been appointed Warden of the State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois.

The increase of convicts in the Illinois State Penitentiary continues. The number on Saturday was 1,194, and before the end of this week there will probably be over 1,200—the largest number confined in any one prison in the world.

The miners' organization in the anthracite coal fields of Pennsylvania have decided that no more coal shall be cut or lifted by them after the 8th inst.

There was a heavy snow storm in Philadelphia yesterday.

We noticed in these columns yesterday that according to recent advices the fortunes of LOPEZ, the Paraguayan President, did not appear to be so hopeless as was imagined. Later dispatches confirm this supposition; it being stated that LOPEZ is about to take the field against the Allies with an army of 10,000 men.

All the amendments proposed to the new Spanish Constitution, in the Cortes, have been rejected. An amnesty has been extended to the insurgents who took part in the late troubles at Cadiz and other places.

Thirteen thousand six hundred dollars were received at Music Hall, in Boston, by Mr. PECK in two days from the date it was announced that the season tickets for the Jubilee could be obtained by subscribers. This is about one-half the amount subscribed in advance for cards of admission to the whole series of entertainments at the Coliseum.

The German Republican Central Committee held a special meeting yesterday afternoon, and recommended the appointment of Dr. GREBE as School Commissioner under the new law.

The Naval Officer of this Port has appointed three deputies, who were sworn in on Saturday, and has made several subordinate appointments.

Two adroit thieves removed a pane of glass from the show window of WM. R. PETTON'S store, No. 214 Bowery, last evening, when they gained possession of $416 worth of silks and satin. The occupants of the store did not discover the robbery until they closed the place, consequently no arrests were made.

WILLIAM FINLEY and PETER DOYLE were yesterday committed by Justice DODGE on a charge of highway robbery made by RUDOLPH BARER, No. 16 Chrystie-street, who alleges that on Friday evening they knocked him down on the corner of West Houston and Greenwich streets, and robbed him of a watch and chain and a pair of spectacles.

A fire occurred yesterday morning at No. 77 Ludlow-street, doing a damage of $300.

A Reminiscence of the Rebellion—The Hampton Roads Conference.

We published yesterday, from the correspondence of the Wheeling (Va.) *Register*, an interesting and curious anecdote concerning the Hampton Roads Conference between President LINCOLN and Mr. SEWARD on the part of the United States, and Messrs. HUNTER, STEPHENS and CAMPBELL on the part of the Southern Confederacy, for the cessation of hostilities and the conclusion of peace. A little previous to this meeting, it will be remembered, Mr. F. P. BLAIR, Sr., made a mysterious visit to Richmond,—the object and result of which are disclosed in the paragraph to which we refer,—the essential part of which is the following:

"While in Marion, Smyth County, a few days ago, I had the pleasure of several lengthy chats with Hon. FAYETTE MCMULLEN. Mr. MCMULLEN says that since the war, he was one day in the President's house in Washington, conversing with Hon. F. BLAIR, Sr. Mr. BLAIR told him that soon after MCMULLEN'S 'peace resolutions' had been introduced into the Confederate Congress, Mr. LINCOLN, being extremely anxious to bring about a peace, honorable alike to both sections of the country, and *foreseeing, and striving to avoid, the political consequences of the military subjugation of the South*, sent him (Mr. BLAIR) to Richmond to confer with Mr. DAVIS and learn what arrangement of the difficulties could be made. He was passed through the lines of the contending armies and conducted to Mr. DAVIS' house in Richmond. After a long conversation with Mr. DAVIS and other prominent gentlemen for whom Mr. DAVIS sent, and for whom Mr. BLAIR inquired, Mr. DAVIS said that he had no proposition to make. Mr. BLAIR then proposed that *General Lee's army be marched into Mexico against the French; that General Grant would follow and support the movement; that the united armies would drive out Maximilian; and then the Southern States should name their own terms of reconstruction, everything short of independence being guaranteed.* At Mr. DAVIS' request this proposition was made in writing, and, after some consultation and reflection, was *signed and accepted by him*. Mr. BLAIR returned to Washington, and Mr. LINCOLN was *highly delighted with the success of the negotiation*. It was in the hope of consummating this arrangement that Mr. LINCOLN and Mr. SEWARD met the 'Peace Commissioners,' Hons. STEPHENS, HUNTER and CAMPBELL, at Fortress Monroe; but there, to Mr. LINCOLN'S chagrin, the Committee declared that they had been instructed by Mr. DAVIS to insist upon the *independence of the South*, and would listen to no other proposal. And thus the whole affair came to a 'most lame and impotent conclusion.'"

There is nothing intrinsically improbable in this statement. Mr. LINCOLN was known to be exceedingly anxious for a termination of hostilities and the return of the seceded States to their practical and constitutional relations with the Union; and there was scarcely any sacrifice, not involving essential principles, which he was not ready at all times to make to secure that end. In the report of the Conference, made by Mr. SEWARD as Secretary of State, and sent to Mr. ADAMS, our Minister in London, moreover, occurs this paragraph, which tends to confirm the statement. Mr. SEWARD says:

"During the Conference, which lasted four hours, the several points at issue between the Government and the insurgents were distinctly raised and discussed fully, intelligently, and in an amicable spirit. *What the insurgent party seemed chiefly to favor was a postponement of the question of separation upon which the war is waged, and a mutual direction of the efforts of the Government, as well as those of the insurgents, to some extrinsic policy or scheme for a season, during which passions might be expected to subside, and the armies be reduced, and trade and intercourse between the people of the two sections be resumed.* It was suggested by them that through such postponement we might now have immediate peace, with some not very certain prospect of an ultimate satisfactory adjustment of political relations between the Government and the States, nation or people now engaged in conflict with it. The suggestion, though deliberately considered, was nevertheless regarded by the President as one of armistice or truce, and he announced that we can agree to no cessation or suspension of hostilities, except on the basis of the *disbandment of the insurgent forces* and the recognition of the national authority throughout all the States in the Union."

This paragraph renders it not unlikely that the Mexican project was discussed at the Conference. But a preliminary difficulty seems to have arisen. In the written note which Mr. BLAIR delivered to Mr. LINCOLN from Mr. DAVIS, the latter stated his entire willingness to "enter into a conference with a view to secure peace to the *two countries*." Mr. LINCOLN, in reply, accepted the suggestion with a view of "securing peace to *our common country*." At the Conference, as reported by Mr. SEWARD, the President insisted upon the *disbandment of the insurgent forces* as a condition precedent to any cessation or suspension of hostilities, which, of course, would be fatal to the proposal that "General LEE's army should be marched into Mexico against the French," and be followed by General GRANT'S. Mr. BLAIR'S proposition was that "the *two countries*" should join in driving the French out of Mexico; and to this Mr. DAVIS assented. But Mr. LINCOLN insisted that all idea of *two* countries should first be given up, and that the two armies should become one, and march under the common authority of the Union, and under a common flag, if the enterprise was to be undertaken at all.

The two parties were thus as widely apart as ever, as soon as the real motive and purpose of each was disclosed. Mr. DAVIS aimed, as he had aimed from the beginning, at independence: and Mr. LINCOLN sought, as he had always sought, the restoration of national unity and authority. Each was willing to agree to war with France, or to anything else which would secure the end he had in view:—but neither would agree to anything which would thwart and defeat it.

It is curious, though idle, to speculate as to what would have happened if Mr. BLAIR'S proposition, as he intended it to be understood, had been carried out. If an arrangement had been made by which the two armies, either united under one head, or as two, had been sent into Mexico to drive the French out, what would have been the result? It is by no means impossible that their mutual passions might have subsided,—that the men of the two armies would have become averse to further conflict with each other, and enthusiastic in the cause for which both were contending; and that a state of feeling might have grown up among the population of the two sections at home which would have made it easy to come to terms of peace. Both sections would have found themselves at war with France, and quite likely with Mexico also, and there would have been quite enough of complication and of trouble in the foreign relations of both, to have disinclined them to prolong their contest with each other. It was very evident to sagacious observers on both sides that the war was then drawing to a close. The North had been steadily gaining in material strength and in moral courage, while the South was greatly weakened, wearied and despondent. If Mr. DAVIS had even then taken counsel of prudence and love of what he called *his* country, he might have avoided "the political consequences of its military subjugation," which Mr. LINCOLN foresaw so clearly and dreaded so much. He could not have saved slavery, but he could have at least postponed negro suffrage, and have saved for the Southern States something of the local power and authority which they have been compelled to surrender.

It seems that on this occasion, as on many others, the Southern States and people are indebted to the short-sighted obstinacy and personal ambition of Mr. DAVIS for the utter and disastrous overthrow which overtook their cause. An account of the Hampton Conference, said to have been prepared by Mr. STEPHENS, one of the Confederate Commissioners, states that Mr. HUNTER made a long reply to Mr. LINCOLN'S statement,—that "the only ground on which he could rest the justice of the war, either with his own people or with foreign Powers, was that it was not a war for conquest, but that the States had never been separated from the Union,"—in which he insisted that the recognition of the right of Mr. DAVIS to make a treaty, as President of an independent nation, was indispensable, and cited the correspondence between King CHARLES I. and his Parliament as a precedent. The report proceeds:

"Mr. LINCOLN'S face wore that indescribable expression which generally preceded his hardest hits, and he remarked: 'Upon questions of history I must refer you to Mr. SEWARD, for he is posted in such things, and I don't profess to be. My only distinct recollection of the matter is, that *Charles lost his head*.' This settled HUNTER for a while."

DAVIS seems to have been as obstinate as CHARLES I., and as resolute in consulting his own personal dignity rather than the necessities and welfare of his country. And the result in both cases was substantially the same. Mr. BLAIR'S proposition had in it the germ of a peace,—honorable and useful to both sections, if it had been used to promote their union. But Mr. DAVIS was determined to make use of it only so far as it might be made to serve the ends of his personal ambition; and the result is what we see. He lost what little head he had, in a political sense, very effectually.

Official Changes.

General P. H. JONES takes possession of his office to-day as Postmaster of this City. He has appointed Mr. WM. B. TAYLOR to be his First Assistant, and Colonel GEORGE VAN BRUNT to be Second Assistant. Mr. TAYLOR has long been familiar with the affairs of the Post Office, having been first appointed to the same position as that which he now holds in 1838, by Mr. J. I. CODDINGTON, then Postmaster, having previously been a clerk, first in the Post Office at New-Brunswick, N. J., and afterward in this City. He was made Postmaster by General TAYLOR, and held the office for a short time, and was subsequently reappointed to his old position, which he held till 1864. He is a man of high integrity, and thoroughly acquainted with all the practical business of the office. He was strongly urged upon General GRANT by influential persons for the position of Postmaster. Col. VAN BRUNT was Deputy Surveyor of the Port under Mr. WAKEMAN, and is well known as having been for many years an active and zealous Republican, and a business man of very great energy and business ability. These appointments will be well received by our citizens as insuring the uprightness and efficiency of the public service. It is alleged that under the recent administration a very large number of ultra Democrats have obtained places as clerks, carriers, &c., in the Post Office. These will give place as rapidly as possible to others more acceptable as politicians to the dominant party; but beyond these necessary and proper changes it is not supposed that very many removals will take place.

It will be seen by a correspondence published elsewhere that Mr. D. G. ROLLINS has resigned the position as Assistant District-Attorney which he has held under Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. ROLLINS is a gentleman of marked talents and an able lawyer. His services in the office which he thus resigns have been zealous and effective. He is a nephew, we believe, of the late Commissioner of Internal Revenue. He proposes, we understand, to enter upon the practice of the law in this City.

Testimony of Fire Underwriters as Applicable to Life Insurance.

The apologists of extravagance in life insurance management have attempted to justify their position by reference to the system of brokerage and the rates of commission which fire insurance companies are accustomed to pay. The plea has no weight in the estimation of those who appreciate the distinction between the two forms of insurance, and the essential difference in their respective conditions of prosperity. What fire insurance companies choose to do for the acquisition of business, and the price they are willing to pay for its continuance, are points in no way affecting the merits or demerits of the practice of life companies.

It seems, however, that even the Fire Underwriters are not satisfied with things as they are. They have discovered that in the reckless race for business they have suffered rates of commission to rise to a point which jeopardizes the solvency of companies, and is productive of evils which should be summarily suppressed. The National Board, recently in session in this City, has furnished testimony which can be neither disregarded nor denied. The Committee having charge of the subject of commissions reported that "the large commission paid by many Board Companies tends to demoralization;" adding that "it was a sad day when we raised commissions from ten to fifteen per cent; we then sowed the wind, and are now reaping the whirlwind." This resolution, moreover, was submitted by the Committee:

"That from and after May 1, 1869, all companies connected with the National Board of Fire Underwriters hereby pledge themselves that the rate of commission which they will allow to agents shall be calculated only upon the net premiums due the Company after deducting taxes, licenses, advertising and all other agency expenses, except in cases where only ten per cent. commission is paid."

The discussion arising out of this proposition proved that the conclusion arrived at by the Committee was fully sustained by the experience of the Board. Mr. GARRIGUE, President of the "Germania," advocated the change as, practically, a saving to the companies of thirty per cent. of the commissions. "It is a needed economy in the agencies." The President of the "Irving," Mr. CROWELL, pointed out the demoralizing effect of high rates upon agents themselves. "They get their fifteen per cent. gross," and are indifferent to all else. The same view was expressed with greater emphasis by Mr. LEARNED, President of the "Norwich," of Connecticut. Insurance, he insisted, "pays a disproportionately large commission as compared with any other business. It is often a temptation to agents to encourage over-insurance. He had known of many cases." Still another member, Mr. BEAN, demanded a more specific reform than that submitted by the Committee. "A resolution should be adopted fixing the commissions uniformly at ten per cent. gross. Even five per cent. would be enough. The change," he observed, "might reduce the number of agents, but the business would be more healthy." The latter consideration is evidently firmly impressed upon the mind of Mr. BOWKER, President of the "North American," of Boston, for he declared that "the insurance interest is hampered by bands of useless go-betweens, who receive a commission that no other business could afford to pay." Mr. SATTERLEE, President of the "Home," New-Haven, also adverted to the brokerage system as one of the evils to be removed. Among the members, indeed, there seems to have been but one opinion as to the impropriety of the present rates of commission, and the abuses which extravagant management and reckless competition have introduced. Eventually, the reduction suggested by the Committee was sanctioned by the Board, whose members subsequently adopted an additional recommendation "that ten per cent. commission only be allowed to agents, and five per cent. to brokers, without any rebate whatever."

Every complaint here uttered, every grievance here stated, is applicable to the system of life insurance management now in force. All the evils which the Fire Underwriters propose to remedy in their branch of business prevail in even a larger degree in life insurance. The method of acquiring business leads to the ignoring of all considerations save the single one of a large commission. The brokerage system has grown to proportions which for the time yield a large number of policies, but which will ultimately bring disgrace and disaster on the entire system. The wild hunt for business which in fire insurance leads to excessive and ill-judged risks, with all their consequences, is carried on with more dangerous effect under the "touting" which the ambition of life companies to become great has fostered. Representations are made which cannot be substantiated. Expectations are excited which, as a rule, cannot be fulfilled. Popular ignorance and credulity are trifled with by the presentation of life insurance in the light of an investment. Its true mission as a provident agency is overlooked, and characteristics are claimed for it utterly at variance with its real nature and purpose. These evils are partly the result of the pretensions of many of the companies, and of the mania for expansion which afflicts nearly all of them; but they are aggravated by the multiplication of irresponsible canvassers whom the prevailing rates of commission have called into existence. The complaint of the fire underwriters is that the commissions squandered in the acquisition of business consume the profits of the stockholders. In life insurance their effects are more serious. For the expenses of companies not only curtail the profits of the insured, but gradually impair the resources on whose constant growth depends the fulfillment of contracts.

While, then, costly management is bad in fire insurance, it is infinitely worse when it extends to life insurance. The risks of the former are, as it were, within sight. Their duration is brief. The condition of a Company undertaking them admits of easy analysis; and the policy-holders have, in a large degree, the power of protecting themselves by reinsurance. But the life insurance company is a complicated and to most a mysterious affair. Its solvency is to be determined in the comparatively remote future. It may present an appearance of prosperity albeit withering at the core. It may exhibit an enormous increase of business, and may amuse the insured with what it is pleased to call "profits," and all the time be on the high road to ruin. Hence the paramount importance of preserving in its management the caution of conscientiousness which should belong to the administration of a complicated and sacred trust. The care in the selection of agents, and the economy in the matter of expenses, which are expedient in fire insurance, become to life insurance a solemn duty. The interests at stake are so peculiar and important, the scientific laws governing their successful management are at once so well defined and so rarely understood, that they call for a guardianship having little in common with the present passion for "pushing business."

The business is overdone. Companies are in too great a hurry to become colossal. The standard of excellence they have set up is one of size. An enormous issue of policies constitutes their ideal of a year's prosperity. And multitudes of the insured contemplate with satisfaction statements of the number of insurances granted and premiums received, as though they were conclusive proof of a company's excellence. It is the duty of managers who desire the permanent success of life insurance to discard a test which is as delusive as it is dangerous. The mere amount of business proves nothing except the activity of a great number of agents and brokers, operating under the stimulus of large commissions. What we really want to know is, the ratio of increase in the accumulation of reserve—in other words, the growth of the proportion of assets to the risks in force, together with economy in the conduct of the business; for these are criteria of soundness, as distinguished from mere evidence of "push." And as the interests of the policy-holders are involved in a healthy prosperity rather than a ponderous display, it may, and probably does happen that a company whose year's new business embraces but five thousand policies, is more deserving of confidence than one whose growth is twice or thrice as rapid.

The first step in reform will have been taken when the reputable life companies follow the example of the fire underwriters, and reduce to a moderate and uniform standard the rates of commission paid to agents and brokers. The present rates are inexcusably extravagant. Their reduction may have the effect of diminishing the volume of business, but the temporary loss in this respect will be more than covered by the improved condition of the business, and its improved title to public confidence.

The Velocipede in New-York Streets.

Although we doubt whether, in view of the existing state of horse cars, and the nonexisting state of cheap cabs, the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of this City of ours would be exactly justified in declaring that "the use of the vehicles known as velocipedes is not required by any public necessity or for the public convenience," yet we incline to think they might be justified in doing what they are now asked to do, namely, forbid the use of these new machines in the more crowded of the public streets.

The words just quoted are from the preamble of an ordinance proposed to the authorities aforesaid, "in Common Council convened," and probably the mere proposition has already struck terror to would-be velocipedestrians. But, after all, can these latter, or anybody else, deny the allegation of the remainder of the preamble, that velocipedes are "likely to prove a serious impediment to the necessary use of the public thoroughfares?" It seems to us that the proposition is too plain to be disputed. The velocipede does certainly combine many advantages which will probably retain it some time in favor,—it is a pretty toy, a means of innocent amusement, of healthful recreation, of specially good muscular exercise, (though one doctor has already fulminated against it,) and, under certain circumstances, of pleasant and swift locomotion. Yet every one of these advantages could be enumerated in favor of "coasting;"—why, then, are boys' sleds banished from Broadway? Simply because they are unsuited to the thoroughfares; and boys flying down hill in a crowded city are known by historic experience to be in the habit of breaking their necks or the shins of innocent passers-by.

"There is a time for all things," says high authority, and it is equally clear that there is also a place—and it is little less doubtful that the place for velocipedes is not the crowded business thoroughfares of New-York. Let anybody, of a bright May afternoon, see the quantity of velocipedes flying like shuttles hither and thither up and down some favorite rendezvous for them—say Clinton-street, in Brooklyn—and imagine these steeds to be permitted to usurp the streets of New-York. Possibly something might be done in the way of a compromise by ordaining that they should never move "faster than a trot," or to that effect; but it requires only a look at the machines in operation to see how plainly impossible it would be to add them to the other nuisances which imperil life and limb, and impede free and easy locomotion, in our City streets.

The velocipedes must be content to take their proper place in public parks, in the "rinks" and riding schools, in the suburbs, perhaps in the upper streets of the City, and wherever they may have free course, run and be glorified. They must not, flushed with favor, essay to make our lower, narrower and more crowded New-York streets still more inconvenient; and lest they should, we presume the ordinance in question will be passed.

Mr. Punch and Mr. Johnson.

"*Mr. Punch* hopes," says the organ of that estimable humorist, "that something in the shape of an English tribute will be offered to that kindly-hearted gentleman, Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON, before he is allowed to go away. He has been assiduously doing his best to create the international sympathy which we desire to believe exists; and if ever a man came under the provision of the beatitude about peace-makers, Mr. JOHNSON is the man." This is the kindliest—we might almost say the *only* kindly public tribute from his English friends which Minister JOHNSON has received. It is remarkable that, while he has been overflowing with good words, fraternal pledges, and generous prayers for the prosperity of England, he has in return received rather less thanks, or even acknowledgement, than a gruffer ambassador is wont to secure.

Take, for example, Mr. ROEBUCK'S case. That gentleman certainly could not have felt aggrieved had the American Minister refused to cultivate his acquaintance. But what was the fact? Mr. JOHNSON saw him afar off—even from London to Sheffield—ran to him, and metaphorically if not literally fell on his neck and kissed him. Instead, however, of accepting the *rôle* of repentant prodigal, Mr. ROEBUCK, at the banquet which Mr. JOHNSON said he would have attended even for his sake alone, abused and vilified the American people; a few days later, in a public speech, he expressed the desire to see America torn asunder; and yet a few months later, he gave his countrymen this dying legacy, "Beware of America."

And this will stand very well for one example of fifty of the reception Mr. JOHNSON'S courtesies have met. They have been almost uniformly, and often rudely, rebuked. The English Press has joined in a common cry against him, even the *Edinburgh Review* now taking up the refrain. His desire "to create international sympathy" has been described as "soft sawder," "soft soap," and, at best, "soft sentiment." Now, while it was very well for the American public to resent what they justly considered their Envoy's misappreciation of their feelings, it is quite a different matter for the British public to sneer at his friendly manifestations as either insincere or maudlin. Mr. JOHNSON has made sad mistakes, but not on the side of insincerity, since he evidently believes what he says. "*Mr. Punch*," therefore, does a fair thing when he demands for Mr. JOHNSON "kind regards tied up in a large parcel." The duty of rebuking Mr. JOHNSON for over-demonstrativeness is not an English duty; and, indeed, we shall not be surprised if, when he really leaves English shores, he obtains a more generous token of appreciation than hitherto from those whom he sought to please, even at the cost of mortally offending his own countrymen.

MINOR TOPICS.

We presume that General GRANT'S brief interview with General LEE, on Saturday, referred to the reconstruction of Virginia. General GRANT has exhibited a great deal of anxiety about this subject, and the special message he sent to Congress a few weeks ago, asking the passage of a bill, (which was immediately thereafter introduced and passed,) enables him to initiate measures for the establishment of civil government. General LEE is a representative man of Virginia, and it was wise in the President to obtain his judgment regarding a scheme which must meet the approval of the people of the State.

General ROSECRANS has been too late in asking that he be retained as our representative to Mexico for some time longer to enable him to carry out negotiations for the purchase of a portion of the Mexican territory. His successor, Hon. Mr. NELSON, of Indiana, who was nominated to the Senate a month ago, was immediately confirmed, and is just about to leave this country to enter on the duties of his mission.

If Judge EDMONDS has really the power (as he says he has) of seeing and conversing with deceased Judges and deceased culprits—if he has the power (as he says he has) of getting from the Judges the principles of judicial administration, and from accused persons the true facts of their case,—he ought immediately to be appointed a Supreme Court of Ultimate Appeal. There would only be one difficulty about the matter. SWEDENBORG, who claims to have visited the other world and conversed with large numbers of spirits, showed that people after death may be as great fools and knaves as they were while living. He found some ghosts so thick-headed as not even to know that they were dead, while others were such accomplished liars as to lie and cozen, and still others played all sorts of fantastic tricks before the Swedish seer. Here would be the difficulty for Judge EDMONDS. The ghost of a dead murderer or thief would probably deny most furiously that he was ever guilty of the crime, and the ghost of an incompetent Judge would doubtless make the most preposterous decisions. We would be compelled to test the evidence of dead culprits just as we test that of living culprits, and we should be as cautious of the justice of the decisions of dead Judges as of living ones. Even the newspapers would review a ghost's evidence, and probably prove him to be a liar, and they would review a judicial ghost's decision and probably prove him to be an ass.

Some months ago, we heard of the breakdown of the Charleston *Mercury*, which, since its revival after the war, had attempted to advocate opinions of State Rights somewhat similar to those it advocated with fatal force before the war. Now, we hear from Richmond of the breakdown of the *Southern Opinion*, another paper of somewhat similar stripe—a paper, in fact, which represented the "Lost Cause." In its last issue it mournfully announces that its mission has been fulfilled—that "Southern principles," to wit, Secession principles, are dead in the Southern heart, and that no cause can long outlive its defeat on the battle field. It is an excellent sign for the prosperity and future welfare of the Southern people that these sectional and malignant journals are passing into the bottomless pit.

The difficulty between France and Belgium is to be settled by a *Conference*—the Emperor NAPOLEON'S favorite idea for the settlement of all international difficulties. The "Belgium question," is simply this: A French company purchased a Belgian railroad. Immediately after this, the Belgian Chambers enacted that no Belgian railroad could be purchased or controlled by a foreign company without the consent of the Belgian Chambers. Thereupon, the French Government remonstrated diplomatically with the Belgian Government; but there was the enactment of the Belgian Chambers, and the Belgian King was powerless, even if he had desired to accommodate France. Regarding this question, a good deal of irritation has appeared in both France and Belgium; and as it is a standing article of European faith that France desires the absorption of Belgium at the first convenient opportunity, it was supposed by some people that NAPOLEON would press the French claims with a show of determination. Having resolved, however, to submit the whole matter to a Conference, we may now look for a pacific settlement of the difficulty. Belgium will doubtless secure her independence of action, while France will doubtless secure the rights of her citizens.

We don't see why the Mexicans should be so anxious to have Cuba severed from Spain. The Mexicans have certainly made a frightful business of governing their own country since they severed it.

The Springfield *Republican* is so very old-fashioned as to be afraid of having a Nuncio from the Pope sent to Washington—citing the reformed custom of the British Government for the last three centuries or so. We do not sympathize with any such sentiment of terror. No doubt the Jesuits have had a great name for cunning; but we question if they are sharp enough to come round any of our own diplomatists in any walk of public policy. With regard to the other considerations, we can only say we have no fear that any notions of the Middle Ages will overpower us. If they and their Nuncio will have the courage to come among us we shall have the courage to receive them politely. If the Pope is not afraid of our peculiar propaganda, we certainly shall not be afraid of his.

Mrs. JULIA WARD HOWE, the accomplished author and poet, has been delivering a series of philosophical discourses in Boston which appear to be altogether above the comprehension of the people of that city. Judging by their reports, they seem to be particularly mystified with her doctrine of *polarity*, and her theories of the action of the more subtle forces of life and nature. It is absurd to deliver such lectures in Boston, when Mrs. HOWE could find an intellectual audience in New-York that would fully appreciate her scientific theories as well as her metaphysical speculations.

The rivalry over the two great Central American canals will not allow those themes of general interest to go to sleep. The English Chargé d'Affaires has laid before the Colombian Senate the proposal of a wealthy English company to build the Isthmian water-way at Panama. And on the subject of the Nicaraguan canal conceded to NAPOLEON'S man CHEVALIER, M. FELIX BELLY is coming up to Washington for the purpose of protesting that CHEVALIER has no right against a former concession to him (BELLY) and asking our Government to interfere. So that we shall have some further talk over these things. The Bogota people say they want everything fair, and for the general good. They also want a good bargain for themselves and a large "consideration" in the premises.

The question of the date of the birth of the First NAPOLEON is revived, by the letter of the present Emperor recommending the commemoration of the centenary of that event. LOUIS NAPOLEON says that his uncle was born Aug. 15, 1769; but, (says an English writer,) it has been very commonly believed that he was really born in the previous year, 1768. The reason which induced NAPOLEON I. to wish that his birth should be regarded as having taken place in 1769 was this: If he was born in 1768 he was not born a Frenchman, for Corsica was not annexed to France till the following year. The question was formerly disputed with vehemence and party zeal; and we fear that even in France itself, it will not be considered as settled even by the decision of His Imperial Majesty, who now governs the French intellect as well as the French army.

The Mexican Government is very anxious to borrow or otherwise get hold of a little money to meet its expenses, and is willing to resort to any expedient for that purpose. For its benefit, we will mention one expedient that would be more effective than any other. It should show some disposition to pay the debts it already owes. It should show some willingness to recognize those debts. It should make some attempts to secure their settlement in an honorable manner. The main reason it cannot borrow plenty of money in Europe is that it will not take any step in either of these directions. If it would, there would not be the slightest dif

[illegible] over the railroad from San Francisco, a quantity of Chinese tea, such as it was always in the habit of receiving from New-York. It seems to have their letter advertising for the journey; and its right there in black [illegible] the wrong side of the continent in respect of tea-drinkers and John Chinaman.

It has appeared of late months that an almost incredible number of persons urged GRANT for the Presidency several years ago. The World, of yesterday, through a Washington correspondent, attempts to show that he was first spoken of for the Presidency "nearly four years ago," that some time afterward his claims were advocated by a Massachusetts Senator, and that subsequently he was taken up by different parties and persons. We don't consider the settlement of the point of any immediate consequence; but there can be harm in copying from the Army and Navy Journal of "nearly six years ago" (Dec. 10, 1859) the following paragraph: "Two of the leading political journals in this City, the NEW-YORK TIMES and the Herald, are urging General Grant for the Presidency."

Speech of Mr. C. M. Seymour.

Mr. CHARLES B. SEYMOUR, who has been connected with the Times as its Musical and Dramatic Critic from nearly the beginning of its publication, died yesterday morning at his residence in Brooklyn, after an illness of little more than a week from which he was believed to be recovering. Mr. SEYMOUR was an Englishman by birth, and a gentleman of cultivated ability and more than ordinary culture. He was well known and very highly esteemed as a critic, both in music and the drama, being well-informed, conscientious and just. His style of writing was exceedingly clear, forcible and effective; and his opinions on matters of art, which were never expressed heedlessly, or without due care, commanded an unusual degree of weight with the best portion of the reading public. Mr. SEYMOUR contributed a great deal to other departments of literature, and always with ability and success. At one time he was interested in the publication of the Weekly Review, and was also engaged in the translation from the German and preparation for the stage of twenty-three plays. In 1857 he was appointed by the Government one of the Assistant Commissioners, for the department of Works and Musical Instruments, to the great Exposition in Paris, and made an extended and valuable report on the subject upon his return. During the Summer of that year he married in Paris a sister-in-law of MILLE. the pianist, whom he leaves with one child to mourn his loss. Mr. SEYMOUR was of an unusually kind and genial nature, just and honorable in all his relations, and greatly respected and loved by all who knew him. To us his loss, both as an associate and a friend, is very great, as it was very sudden and unexpected. Mr. SEYMOUR has suffered severely for many years from asthma, which affection aggravated very much a rheumatism consequent upon a severe cold, leading to congestion and affection of the brain. Besides a brother, resident in Pittsburg, we are not aware that he left any relatives in this country.

WASHINGTON.

The British Press Comments on Senator Sumner's Speech—Deep Interest of the Diplomatic in the Alabama Question—Departure of Mr. Motley—General Rousseau's Visit to Washington.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, May 2.

The comments and expressions of the British Press and Cabinet upon the rejection of the Alabama Claims Treaty and Mr. SUMNER'S speech do not seem any surprise here in official circles. That a response was generally expected, particularly after the publication of the speech, and Mr. SUMNER is surprised least of all. It is a curious fact that while Mr. SUMNER'S speech, the sensation of the country, and the condemnation of Mr. MOTLEY all took place on the same day, yet the latter fact was the only one which was telegraphed to the London Times by the cable. No portion of the speech was telegraphed, not even its points, and no comment made on the subject until the receipt of the speech itself and the subsequent vote on rejection by mail. It is thought here that Mr. CHANCELLOR's assurance from reliable quarters that the rejection of the treaty by the Senate was a purely political movement must have come from REVERDY JOHNSON. It certainly could not have proceeded from any member of the British Legation here, for they are on a different footing from that. The British Minister here may honestly assure the Premier that a settlement can ultimately be reached, and that there is no danger of a rupture of the friendly relations of the two nations. But he is certainly cognisant of the fact that the rejection of the treaty is not less unanimous with the Press and the public than it was with the Senate. The European diplomats here are deeply interested in the question as it now stands.

It is suggestively hinted in their circles that LOUIS NAPOLEON, GORTSCHAKOFF and BISMARCK can now make their combinations without regard to what Great Britain may say, as she will have this question on hand to settle with the United States. Russian and Prussian [illegible] have [illegible] and [illegible] with the Chief Magistrate of this nation when he telegraphed his congratulatory dispatch to the President on the 4th of March.

DEPARTURE OF MINISTER MOTLEY.

Mr. MOTLEY leaves this to-morrow for New-York, accompanied by Mr. HOOPER, of Boston, whose guest he has been. He will be at the Brevoort House while in New-York, and will sail with his family for Liverpool in the Cunard steamer of the 10th. These last informed here maintain no doubt of his favorable reception by the British Cabinet. He is personally acquainted with Lord CLARENDON, with whom he will have to treat, and with nearly all the leading statesmen of Great Britain. The only thing that is known outside about Mr. MOTLEY'S instructions is that he is not instructed to press a reopening of the negotiations.

GENERAL LEE'S VISIT TO THE PRESIDENT.

General LEE's interview with the President yesterday is represented to have been of a social character, but to have related wholly to personal matters. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. TAGGART of Baltimore. He is the guest there of Mrs. KINSTON, at the Tudor Place, in Georgetown, and dined to-day with Mrs. PINKNEY, the widow of the Secretary of the Spanish Legation, who is a Virginia lady.

APPOINTMENTS.

Hon. HENRY T. BLOW, Ex-Congressman from St. Louis, was yesterday appointed Minister to Brazil, in place of Wm. A. PIKE, whose nomination was laid on the table by the Senate. Several more appointments will probably be made this week. General GEORGE PLINER, having resigned his Consulship and Interpretership, will leave for Havana this week.

FERRY FULLER'S GASCONADE.

FERRY FULLER prints a card in the New-Orleans papers of the 26th with reference to his recently published letter. He calls it a "mere conversation of a strictly private and confidential character written by me upon matters of business to my friend in Washington." He further says it is "perfectly innocent and inoffensive." The last two charges are probably true, but if the letter be printed in the Times of yesterday was published, FULLER must have done it himself. Of Colonel CASEY's appointment he says:

But as by the constitution, yet upon this letter it is proper to comment in some manner, may the appointment who responded me as Collector of the Port with my nomination. My letter to Mr. Lincoln I ask the publication of this application. My reasons for desiring the appointment of Collector, Casey was my friend, the appointment above stated. I did not wish to make the position of Collector of the Port of New-Orleans, as I intended to get into business in this city. If you may have any doubt, I have two persons, One from Mr. Johnson, the other was a personal friend of mine. In it immediate that I should [illegible] Mr. Dana, visited BRADY'S gallery yesterday afternoon, and the party sat for their portraits. The President then proceeded to the State Department with Mr. J. RUSSELL JONES, lately nominated as Minister to Belgium.

OBITUARY.

Colonel A. P. WILLIS, a prominent lawyer of Texas, died here to-day.

CHANGES IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

Tabular Statement Showing the Number of Changes in the Revenue Service by Sinecure—The Criticisms Upon the President and His Appointments—Bad Appointments—Bad Appointments—Bad Appointments.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, May 1, 1865.

The idea generally very generally that the changes in the public service, especially in the Revenue Department, have been much more numerous than is actually the fact. Prior to the advent of the new Administration the clamor for change, of which the necessity therefor, was the burden of the talk of the Republican Press. Every one then agreed that at least half, if not two-thirds, of the entire list of revenue officers should be displaced. Many would have had a clean sweep of good and bad, and a fresh start with clean material. But now there is much grumbling because there has been so many changes. What, what are the facts? The details show that the personnel of precisely one-half of the internal revenue service has been changed. The following table shows the whole thing by states, and in some of the larger States, like Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Massachusetts, for instance, the changes have not amounted to more than one-third of their total number of officers. The first column shows the total number of Assessors and Collectors in the respective States, the number of each being equal, and the last column shows the whole number of changes in each State:

State.	No. Officers Assess.	No. Officers Coll'rs.	Changes Assess.	Changes Coll'rs.	Total.
Alabama	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Arkansas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
California	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Connecticut	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dakota	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Delaware	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Florida	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Georgia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Illinois	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Indiana	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Iowa	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kansas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kentucky	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Louisiana	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maine	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maryland	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Massachusetts	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Michigan	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Minnesota	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mississippi	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Missouri	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nebraska	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nevada	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
New-Hampshire	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
New-Jersey	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
New-York	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
North Carolina	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ohio	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Oregon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pennsylvania	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rhode Island	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
South Carolina	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tennessee	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vermont	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Virginia	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wisconsin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

For the purpose of showing the changes in the [illegible]

TELEGRAMS.

SPAIN.

The New Constitution—All Amendments Rejected.

MADRID, Sunday, May 2.

In the Constituent Cortes the debate on the new Constitution has ended. All the amendments proposed have been rejected.

The Cortes has voted an amnesty for all persons who took part in the insurrection at Cuba, Malaga and Xeres. Deputy CARNELLAS moved that the amnesty be extended to Castilla implicated in revolutionary movements, but the motion was not agreed to.

A serious disturbance at Saragossa is apprehended. It is reported that the troops there are in a state of disorganized and partial insubordination.

PARAGUAY.

President Lopez with 10,000 Men About to Take the Field.

LONDON, Sunday, May 2.

Advices from Paraguayan sources represent that President LOPEZ, with 10,000 men, is preparing to take the offensive.

The Central Pacific Railroad Finished—Preliminaries Completed of the Shelter Overland Track.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sunday, May 2.

The Central Pacific Railroad Company yesterday finished their portion of the road with the exception of two connecting links, which Governor STANFORD will lay on Friday or Saturday of the present week. A celebration of the event will be held in this city and at Sacramento, for which extensive preparations have been made.

The further survey of the Salt Lake and Columbia River Railroad has been abandoned for the present and the Surveyors has been recalled.

Governor SEYMOUR, of British Columbia, will proceed to Nootka Sound in the gunboat Sparrow Hawk, to thoroughly investigate the circumstances connected with the wreck of the bark John Bright and the murder of her crew by the Indians.

Arrived, ship Rosanna, from Marseilles.

Church Partially Burned in Rochester.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sunday, May 2.

About 8:30 o'clock this evening a fire was discovered in the tower of the First Presbyterian Church, in the rear of the City Hall. The tower was destroyed and the interior of the Church badly damaged before the flames were suppressed. The chapel adjoining was somewhat damaged by the tower of the church falling upon it. The fire was the work of an incendiary. The charred wick in proxies of decomposition and the organ had been removed. The insurance is $16,000—more than enough to cover the loss. The church was built in 1844.

The Grand Movement in St. Louis—Starting of a Steamer.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sunday, May 2.

WM. HYDE of the Republican, SHILSON HUTCHINS of the Times, MYRON COLLINS of the Democrat, and THOMAS RICHARDSON have been added to the Committee to visit New-Orleans in the interest of the grain movement. The Committee have been in session evening.

An Omaha dispatch says the steamer Bob Bell, from St. Louis to Fort Benton, struck a snag below Brownsville, Nebraska, and sunk. Most of the cargo will be lost.

The Binding Troubles in Pennsylvania—No Share Cost to be Lifted.

SCRANTON, Penn., Sunday, May 1.

Notice was given yesterday by the mining corporations to the coal operators of this county that no coal would be cut or hoisted after May 8.

At Wyoming on Friday night the safe of J. C. SHOEMAKER & SON was blown open and robbed of $7,000 in Government and Lackawanna and Wyoming Railroad bonds; also $500 in currency. A reward of $500 has been offered for the arrest of the burglars.

The Metropolitan Case in New-Brunswick.

CONCORD, N. H., Sunday, May 2.

In the case of CHENEY vs. Dr. HAYNES, for alleged malpractice, the jury agreed upon a verdict at 10 o'clock last night, after a session of thirteen hours. The verdict will be opened to-morrow morning. It is reported that the plaintiff recovers damages somewhere below $5,000. As a previous trial the jury awarded $10,000 damages.

Condition of the National Banks of New-York City.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, May 2.

The following is an abstract showing the condition of the fifty-six national banks in the City of New-York at the close of business on the 19th of April:

Resources.

Loans and discounts	$[illegible]
Overdrafts	[illegible]
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	[illegible]
U. S. bonds to secure U. S. deposits	[illegible]
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	[illegible]
Due from approved reserve agents	[illegible]
Due from other National Banks	[illegible]
Due from State Banks and bankers	[illegible]
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	[illegible]
Current expenses and taxes paid	[illegible]
Premiums on U. S. bonds	[illegible]
Checks and other cash items	[illegible]
Bills of other National Banks	[illegible]
Fractional currency	[illegible]
Specie	[illegible]
Legal-tender notes	[illegible]
Five per cent. certificates	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

Liabilities.

Capital stock	$[illegible]
Surplus fund	[illegible]
Undivided profits	[illegible]
National bank notes outstanding	[illegible]
State bank notes outstanding	[illegible]
Dividends unpaid	[illegible]
Individual deposits subject to check	[illegible]
Demand certificates of deposit	[illegible]
Certificates of deposit	[illegible]
Due to other National Banks	[illegible]
Due to State Banks and bankers	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

Printers' Strike in New-Haven.

NEW-HAVEN, Conn., Sunday, May 2.

The printers of this city are on a strike, demanding that 40 be or cents per thousand. The employers refuse to pay the scale.

OUT-DOOR SPORTS.

THE ATLANTIC CLUB.

Home Match.

MATCHES TO BE PLAYED.

May 3—Fourteen vs. Atlantic, on the Capitoline Grounds, Brooklyn, at 3 P. M.

May 4—Mutual vs. Olympic, of New-York, on the Union Grounds, Brooklyn, E. D., at 3 P. M.

May 6—Alpha vs. Atlantic, on the Capitoline Grounds, at 3 P. M.

May 7—Excelsior Club, opening game, on the Capitoline Grounds.

May 8—Atlantic of Jersey City, vs. Atlantic, on the Capitoline Grounds, at 3 P. M.

May 9—Putnam vs. Atlantic, on the Capitoline Grounds, at 3 P. M.

The season of small games is now in vogue. On Tuesday the Harvards played the Lowell Club on the ground of the latter, which they won by a score of 31 to 25. Both these clubs will visit Washington, the latter part of the month to play the Atlantic, Nationals, and Metropolitans.

On Tuesday, too, the Princeton Club visited Philadelphia and came "last and lasting" on the Germantown Club, by a score of 21 to 11. On Wednesday, yesterday—a day of general holiday—the Germantown Club played the Atlantic, of Jersey City, on the Capitoline Grounds, and the Olympic Club will come down on the Capitoline Grounds to-day to play the Nationals, and on Friday the Germantown Club will come down to play the Olympics at Brooklyn on the Union Grounds.

The best contest of the season will be the first match of the season to be played by the Atlantic Club, and Atlantic Club for the year and a gold medal.

The Atlantic nine, as now arranged, is as follows: FENTONSTOCK, catcher; FERRY, pitcher; STAUB, First and Short, on the home; FRANCIS, short stop, and CHAPMAN, CRAWFORD and McDONALD in the field; substitutes, MILLER, REYNOLDS and KRAMER.

The Mutual nine now includes MEAD and WOLTERS, catcher and pitcher; MILLS, FLANEY and SWARTWOUT, on the bases; HOGLEN, short field, and HAYNIES, McMANUS and E. HUNT, outfielders.

Cricket.

May 5—Opening game of St. George Club on ground at Hoboken City.

May 10—Opening game of New-York Club, foot of Ninth-street, Hoboken.

May 12—Opening game of Manhattan Club on Hoboken Cricket Ground, foot of Ninth-street.

May 1 and 6—Philadelphia versus Germantown, at Philadelphia.

On Wednesday the St. George Club are to open [illegible]

[illegible] Club are to open [illegible] Club, on which occasion they [illegible] and Kay's play. The [illegible] will be played with which [illegible] Kay has to contend is a matter of interesting speculation. Kay has contended that he should take the Supreme for a handicap match.

There is no news in the player of the club's belonging but Another English eleven the season.

THE BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

The Prizes Still in Doubt—Games Now Remaining to be Played.

It is almost as difficult now to predict who will win the gold-fitted and diamond-pointed cue, as it was before the tourney for its possession began. Thus far, the games played, although extremely interesting, and attending large audiences, have been merely preliminary, the chief object being to ascertain the degree of the weaker adversaries. The tourney will now close upon its exciting stage, and henceforth every contest will have a direct bearing upon at least the first four of the five prizes.

RUDOLPHE has not been beaten, has made the best average in a single game, and the best general average as well; and the idea obtains, especially among those who have not noted the order in which the games have been played, that RUDOLPHE cannot fail of securing the leading prize, the jewelled cue, and at least $300. But as yet he has been pitted against those players only who, when the tournament opened, were presumed to be the weakest—REINE, DANIELS, and SNYDER. He has now to encounter those who, along with him, were looked upon as the strongest of the seven—FOSTER, DERRY, and GOLDENWAIR. As regards his average, which is but a mere fraction above DERRY'S, it is due more to a combination of fortunate circumstances than abstract skill. While the other players have been required to "bank" from twenty to thirty times (FOSTER had to "bank" thirty-one times in his three games, and fifty-four times, while in hand, has had not more than one ball outside,) RUDOLPHE has but four times been unfortunate enough to be placed in a position where the balls being in the "kissing" it was necessary to play a "cushion first." Making due allowance, RUDOLPHE'S best average should be estimated at one-eighth less than twenty-five; and should he play no better than he has thus far, he will stand in imminent danger of being beaten by the three experts who are yet to cross cues with him. "Anything, Derry!" is the place upon all his games so far, is a little better of RUDOLPHE, having disposed of a dangerous opponent, GOLDENWAIT. There remain but two games to be played, and the result of the "clean sweep" of the latter by Derry, followed by his unexpected defeat at the hands of Snyder. To secure first prize, he now has to defeat RUDOLPHE, DERRY and GOLDENWAIR in succession, and then will very likely have to win a second game from one of the first two. He engages GOLDENWAIR to-night, and the result of that game will be known before next issue. If he wins the first prize, should he be beaten, he will stand equal with SNYDER for the third prize, and RUDOLPHE and DERRY will be almost certain to take first and second prizes. Of the others, GOLDENWAIR has yet to play REINE, SNYDER and RUDOLPHE, and FOSTER has yet to play DERRY and SNYDER has to play DANIELS; besides SNYDER, DANIELS has to play REINE; and, besides DANIELS, REINE has to play DERRY and GOLDENWAIR. Exclusive of ties, there will be ten games more. There will very likely be ties for the fourth and fifth prizes, and it may be necessary to resort to additional games to decide the fifth prize alone.

The Navy Office.

General MERRITT, the Naval Officer of the Port of New-York, has appointed CORNELL S. FRANKLIN, Esq., as Deputy, and appointed Colonel GEORGE W. BURR and EDWARD DE FORREST, Esq., Deputies, also JOHN J. SHAW and WILLIAM VARNUM, respectively. Colonel BURR has been for several years the Assistant Inspector-General of the State, and proved himself a gentleman of the utmost efficiency. Mr. DE FORREST is quite the accomplished lawyer by profession, and was for a time Assistant Clerk of Congress. F. E. JONES, the Registering Clerk of the Court of Appeals, has only administrative appointments as yet, namely, Messrs. A. G. Bean, D. C. Roberts, J. W. Jones, G. B. Keyser, P. H. Wells, R. W. Tomes, James Hamilton Robert Gardner, Jr., Jeffrey Dorrance, and Edward Smith are clerks; Jeffrey Dorrance, and Edward Smith are their clerks; Jeffrey Dorrance, and Edward Smith are their clerks; Jeffrey Dorrance, and Edward Smith are their clerks.

The following Regulations have been adopted for the guidance of those employed in the Navy Office.

Regulations.

NAVAL OFFICE, New-York, [illegible]

We notify the employes of the Naval Office in the port, and in the Custom House, that the Naval Office will be open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. [illegible] will be open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. [illegible] will be open from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. [illegible]

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The week just closed has had both a plentiful and interesting sale. Some good sales were made of the unimproved, but generally there was very little interest manifested, and in one or two instances the sales were discontinued.

Just very little unimproved City property was offered; a fair amount of improved property was sold, located both in this City and Brooklyn. A good amount of country property was also knocked down, and several other pieces were offered, but, when a fair bid, adjourned to take place at some future day on the ground. This system is rapidly gaining in popularity, and very many sales of the kind will take place within the next two months.

The sales for the week were as follows:

New-York improved property	$[illegible]
New-York unimproved property	[illegible]
Brooklyn improved property	[illegible]
Brooklyn unimproved property	[illegible]
Country property	[illegible]
New-York lease property	[illegible]
Total for the week	$[illegible]

The sales for the previous week were:

New-York improved property	$[illegible]
New-York unimproved property	[illegible]
Brooklyn improved property	[illegible]
Brooklyn unimproved property	[illegible]
Country property	[illegible]
New-York lease property	[illegible]
Sales for the week ending April 26	$[illegible]
Total for April 1 to April 5	[illegible]
Total for the week ending April 12	[illegible]
Total for the week ending April 19	[illegible]
Total for the week ending April 26	[illegible]
Total for the month of February	[illegible]
Total for the month of March	[illegible]
Grand Total	[illegible]

This statement shows a very considerable falling off in New-York unimproved property, and a very great increase in country property. The Yonkers property sold by Messrs. Moran, Willkes & Co. went off spritedly and well. Some pieces of Brooklyn property also found a ready market. Out-of-town property is now most in demand, and only requires to be brought properly forward, free from all the little tricks which belong to the past days of the auctioneer, to find ready purchasers and good prices.

For this week several important and interesting sales are announced. On Tuesday Messrs. H. H. LUDLOW & Co. will offer six fine building sites and two handsome plots and houses, stables, &c., located at Llewellyn Park, Orange, N. J. The place is so widely and favorably known that comment is almost superfluous. Beautifully laid-out grounds, healthy air, good railroad communication and excellent society are its great attractions.

On Wednesday Messrs. A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO. have a very extensive sale of desirable villa plots located at Montclair, Essex County, N. J. They have finely situated and have many natural advantages. The sale will take place on the grounds; previous to it a lunch will be served. Every effort will be made to make the visitors comfortable, and, if the weather is good, a very pleasant day and successful sale may be expected. Maps and free passes may be had of the office of the auctioneers, No. 77 Cedar-street, or at the office of Mr. S. W. TUNES, No. 31 Broadway.

The same day, at the salesroom, Mr. JAMES M. MILLER has a peremptory sale of 400 choice lots fronting 8,000 feet on Central-avenue, being part of the estate of LORENZO ANDREWS, Esq. The property is delightfully located, and as the terms of sale are quite liberal, and as large prices are expected, a satisfactory sale may be fairly anticipated.

Other sales of minor importance will take place, the particulars of which will be found in our advertising columns.

To-day will be a sort of day of rest. Messrs. MILLER, WILKINS & Co. will sell the seven years' lease of the four-story brown-stone house on the northeast corner of Fifth-avenue and Twenty-sixth-street. To-morrow they will sell the house No. 104 West Forty-eighth-street and the house No. 206 West Twenty-second-street. The latter day Messrs. BERGEN & Co. will sell valuable property in Forty-fourth and Forty-fifth streets, and at Greenpoint, L. I. Mr. JAS. M. MILLER will sell 18 lots of land west side of Cole-avenue, twelve lots of land east side of Cole-avenue, and eleven lots of land, on the east side of Kingsbridge road, all located at Fordham, N. Y. The property is well located on high ground, with splendid view of the surrounding country, where easily improvements are being made, within five minutes' walk of the Harlem Railroad depot at Fordham, where trains move every hour in the day for the City; also five minutes' walk of horse cars on the Third-avenue bridge and Harlem cars on the Third-avenue to the Astor House. The sales possess points of interest to all property owners. The market now is well cleanly firm at fair prices; if the sales of this week are good, they will have a powerful and healthful effect on it, and very many numerous parties are anxiously looking forward to sunset.

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Allen-st., No. 120, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Bedford-st., 6 ft. 12 in. x [illegible]	[illegible]
Bedford-st., s. e. corner of Downing-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Bond-st., s. s., lot known as No. 37, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Bowery, No. 15, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Bowery, s. e. s. 50 ft. n. of Grand-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Bruome-st., s. s. 50 ft. w. of Centre-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Bruome-st., s. s., 12 ft. w. of Pitt-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Bruome-st., s. s., 12 ft. w. of Sheriff-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Bruome-st., No. 611, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Cedar-st., No. 37, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Chambers-st., s. s., [illegible] ft. w. of Washington-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Columbia-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Rivington-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Delancey-st., s. s., [illegible] ft. e. of Ludlow-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
East Broadway, s. s., [illegible] ft. e. of Clinton-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Ellizabeth-st., s. s., 25 ft. n. of Prince-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Fourth-st., No. 64, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Fourth-st., s. s., [illegible] ft. e. of Smith's estate, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Franklin-st., s. s., 120 ft. e. of Greenwich-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Governeur-st., w. s., [illegible] ft. n. of Rivington-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Greenwich-st., w. s., 25 ft. n. of Perry-st., block [illegible]	[illegible]
Grand-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Hudson-st., s. s., 69 ft. w. of Washington-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Houston-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Sullivan-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
Jacob-st., w. s., 84 ft. s. of Frankfort-st., [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
Madison-st., No. 150, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Mercer-st., No. 12, block [illegible]	[illegible]
Mercer-st., 120 ft. n. of Houston-st., block [illegible]	[illegible]
Monroe-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Pitt-st., block [illegible]	[illegible]
Mott-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Cherry-st., block [illegible]	[illegible]
Ninth-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of Avenue A,

SHIPPING.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDONDERRY.
THE ANCHOR LINE.
Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers, sail as subject to and of sailings:
IOWA.....May 1 INDIA.....May 22
COLUMBIA.....May 8 CALEDONIA.....May 29
CALEDONIA.....May 15 CAMBRIA.....June 5
EUROPA.....May 15 BRITANNIA.....June 5
and each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate WEDNESDAY hereafter, from Pier No. 20 North River, at 12 o'clock, noon.
RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $90.
Excursion Tickets, good for 12 months, $145.
Steerage, to Liverpool or Londonderry, inclusive, $30.
Prepaid Certificates from these ports, $27.
Steerage passage forward to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.
For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Day-st., or at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT COVE HARBOR.
SIBERIA.....WEDNESDAY.....May 5
SCOTIA.....WEDNESDAY.....May 12
ORIBA.....SATURDAY.....May 15
CUBA.....WEDNESDAY.....May 19
AUSTRALASIAN.WEDNESDAY.....May 26
RUSSIA.....WEDNESDAY.....June 2
Passage money payable in gold.
Cabin.....$100 | Second Cabin.....$60
Cabin to Paris.....$140
No steerage passengers carried.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless a bill of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight or passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.
The splendid vessels on this favorite route to the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:
LAFAYETTE.....ROUSSAIN...SATURDAY, May 15
ST. LAURENT.....LEMAIRE...SATURDAY, May 22
VILLE DE PARIS.SURMONT...SATURDAY, June 12
Rates of passage payable in gold, (wine included:)
TO BREST OR HAVRE, First cabin, $140; second cabin, $90.
TO PARIS, including railway ticket, $145 and $95.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY THURSDAY.
PALMYRA.....May 6 MARATHON.....May 20
HECLA.....May 13 SAMARIA.....May 27
RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK.
Cabin.....$80 Gold | Steerage.....$30 Currency
Steerage.....$30 Currency
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown at lowest rates.
For freight or passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green.
For steerage passage, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. E. CUNARD.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.
CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAY.
IDAHO, (new,) 3,000 tons.....May 5, at 3 P. M.
MINNESOTA, 3,000 tons.....May 12, at 3 P. M.
NEVADA, 3,000 tons.....May 19, at 12 M.
COLORADO, 3,000 tons.....May 26, at 3 P. M.
NEBRASKA, 3,000 tons.....June 2, at 12 M.
CABIN PASSAGE.....(Gold).....$80.
STEERAGE.....(Currency).....$30.
Saloon and Staterooms on Deck.
Steerage Passage Office, No. 32 Broadway.
For freight or cabin passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.

NATIONAL LINE.
From Pier No. 47 North River.
DENMARK, OATS, WEDNESDAY, May 5, at 12 M.
ERIN, WEBSTER, SATURDAY, May 8, at 3 P. M.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $75; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $27, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO ANTWERP—INMAN LINE.
CITY OF LIMERICK.
CITY OF DUBLIN.
And monthly throughout the season.
RATES OF PASSAGE:
From New-York. From Antwerp.
Cabin.....$100, Currency | Cabin.....$80, Gold
Steerage.....$35, Currency | Steerage.....$35, Gold
For further information apply to
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway, N. Y.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF MANCHESTER, (via Halifax).....Tuesday, May 4, 12 M.
CITY OF BALTIMORE and CITY OF BOSTON.....Saturday, May 8, 1 P. M.
CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, May 15, 4 A.M.
CITY OF CORK, (via Halifax).....Saturday, May 15, 11 A. M.
And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE
BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
First Cabin.....$100 | Steerage.....$35
To London.....105 | To London.....40
To Paris.....115 | To Paris.....47
PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER VIA HALIFAX.
FIRST CABIN. STEERAGE.
PAYABLE IN GOLD. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Liverpool.....$80 | Liverpool.....$30
Halifax.....20 | Halifax.....10
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer.....45 | St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer.....30
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices. JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

TO ACCOMMODATE PASSENGERS for Europe, the Inman line will dispatch two of their steamers, the CITY OF BALTIMORE and CITY OF BOSTON, from Pier No. 45 North River, on SATURDAY next, 8th inst., at 1 P. M., from Pier No. 45 North River.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:
First Cabin. Outside. Inside. Second Cabin. Steerage.
$275 $225 $200 $150 $70
CHANGE OF SAILING DAYS.
Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 M., on the
ON 1ST, 11TH AND 21ST, EACH MONTH,
except when these days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
MAY 21.—ALASKA, Capt A. G. GRAY, connecting with MONTANA, Capt. PARSWORTH.
Steamer leaving Panama on the 5th of each month, with steamer CHINA, leaving San Francisco June 4 for China and Japan.
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS—Freight for steamer ALASKA will be received at Pier No. 40, on MONDAY, May 10. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges, &c.
For freight or passage tickets and all further information, apply at the Company's main office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st. F. R. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. R.L. TUCKLEPAUGH, May 23
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. GEO. S. SLOCUM, June 23.
MERRIMACK, Capt. W. WIRE, July 23.
These splendid vessels will sail on schedule time and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
H. B. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

U. S. MAIL TO HAVANA.
ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE.....May 6
EAGLE, Capt. M. S. GREENE.....May 13
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. E. ADAMS, (via Nassau.) For freight or passage apply to
S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

HAVANA, SISAL AND VERA CRUZ.
New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line, from Pier No. 17 East River, at 12 M.
The splendid steamers
CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. DRAKE.....May 5
CLEOPATRA, Capt. PHILLIPS.....May 26
For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDER & SONS, No. 22 Broadway.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
THE CROMWELL LINE.
Steamships of this Line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, at 12 o'clock M.
MARIPOSA.....KEENEN, Saturday, May 8.
GEO. CROMWELL.....VAIL....Saturday, May 15.
Freight taken for St. Louis, Louisville and Cincinnati through rates. For passage, first and second class, or freight, apply to
H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 48 West-st.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.,
CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.
ATLANTIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
MORRO CASTLE, Captain ADAMS, THURSDAY, May 20, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.
For freight or passage, apply to
S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.
Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one; their services in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage; in securing apartments in advance, in preventing the traveler from imposition, and in facility of access to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 8 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

NAVY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, April 27, 1869.
THE NAVY DEPARTMENT WILL offer for sale the iron pilot steamer WINNIPEGS as she now lies at the U. S. Navy-yard, New-York, on the 6th day of May next, at 12 o'clock M.
The vessel and her inventory can be examined at any time on application to the commandant of that yard.
The whole amount of the purchase money must be paid at the time of the adjudication, and the vessel must be removed from the Navy-yard within 10 days from the day of sale.
A. E. BORIE,
Secretary of the Navy.

SHIPPING.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.,
AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.
GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE STEAMSHIPS, AND CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA.
Three times a week.
TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS.
The steamships
VIRGO, Capt. BULLEY, TUESDAY, May 4, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 6 and 8 South-st.
GENERAL BARNES, Capt. MORTON, THURSDAY, May 6, from Pier No. 48 North River, at 3 P. M.
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 48 Liberty-st.
SAN SALVADOR, Capt. NEHEMIAH, SATURDAY, May 8, from Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.
HUNTSVILLE, Capt. CROWELL, SATURDAY, May 15, from Pier No. 12 North River, at 3 P. M.
E. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 48 West-st.

FOR MOBILE,
VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the steamer
ALABAMA, Captain LIBBENEN,
On SATURDAY, May 8, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 20 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile, if now receiving. Intermediate freight taken at one cent a pound; cotton to Mobile, through rates and bills of lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lower rates than any other line.
Has special cabin accommodations for passengers going to Florida or the Gulf ports.
For freight or passage, apply to
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No. 177 West-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.—REGULAR LINE.—The fast and popular steamship SARAGOSSA, C. SIDES, Commander, will sail WEDNESDAY, May 5, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 3 North River. This steamship bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Agents in Charleston (RAVENEL & CO.) forward all goods free of commission.
The steamship MAGNOLIA will sail May 12.
ARTHUR LEARY, Agent, No. 13 William-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—Official passports of the Department of State issued by A. C. WILLMARTH, United States District Clerk's office, No. 41 Chambers-st.

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STEAMBOATS.

NARRAGANSETT STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT AND FALL RIVER.
CONSOLIDATION OF THE BRISTOL AND FALL RIVER LINES.
THE LARGEST AND MOST MAGNIFICENT STEAMERS IN THE WORLD.
BRISTOL, Captain BRAYTON, MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS.
PROVIDENCE, Captain SHERMAN, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS.
Will leave Pier No. 28, North River, foot of Murray-st., DAILY, at 5 P. M.
A NEW AND CONVENIENT FEATURE OF THIS LINE IS RUNNING A BOAT ON SUNDAY AT SAME HOUR.
By this route passengers can take train from New-port at 4 A. M., and arrive in Boston at 8 A. M., in time to connect with all northern and eastern trains; or can take breakfast on board and take 7:45 A. M. train and arrive in Boston at early business hours. JAMES FISK, Jr., Managing Director.
CHAS. H. VAILE, General Superintendent. M. B. SIMONS, General Passenger Agent, Pier 28 North River.

STONINGTON LINE.
TO BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE.
GREAT INSIDE ROUTE—SHORTEST AND MOST DIRECT.
Fare always as low as by any other line.
The new and elegant side-wheel steamers
STONINGTON and NARRAGANSETT,
Capt. WM. M. JOHNS, Capt. GEO. B. HULL,
From Pier No. 22, foot of Jay-st., North River, at 5 P. M.
Arriving ahead of all other lines.
Tickets sold and state-rooms secured at the principal offices, Fifth Avenue Hotel and at Dodd's Express office, No. 944 Broadway. D. S. BABCOCK, President Stonington Steamboat Company.

PEOPLE'S LINE FOR ALBANY.
THE LARGEST AND MOST MAGNIFICENT RIVER STEAMERS IN THE WORLD,
THE ST. JOHN, DREW AND DEAN RICHMOND.
One of the above fine steamers will leave Pier No. 41 North River EVERY AFTERNOON (Sundays excepted) at 5 o'clock, arriving at Albany in time to connect with railroad trains West and North. Returning, leave Albany at 5 P. M. Fare, 50 cents. Office, 355 B'way, N. Y., or on the arrival of connecting trains from the West and North. Through tickets can be obtained at the office on the wharf, and baggage checked to its destination. Freight received until the hour of departure.

TROY LINE FOR ALBANY AND TROY.—Low fare and cheap traveling on the fastest evening steamers connecting the West and North with New-York; only 75 cts. being $1 less than regular fare. Leave Chambers-st., Hudson-st. and Canal-st. docks, at 6 o'clock, arriving at Albany in time to connect with railroad trains West and North. Returning, leave Albany and Troy at 5 P. M. Through tickets and bills of lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lower rates than any other line.
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LEGAL NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK.—MICHAEL COLLINS, an infant, by HENRY COOPER, his guardian, plaintiff, against MARGARET MCMAHON, TERENCE MCMAHON, JOHN J. PURCELL, JOHN CHESTER and WILLIAM BERGMAN, defendants.—Summons amended.—For relief.—(Com. not served.)—To the defendants above named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the amended complaint in this action, which was filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New-York, at the City Hall in said City, on the 30th day of March, 1869, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said amended complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 104 Nassau-st., in said City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.—Dated New-York, March 31, 1869.
JOHN E. SMITH, Plaintiff's Attorney.
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ANONYMOUS.—PLEASE ADDRESS GEO. LITTLE, Rutherford Park, N. J.

MARBLE MANTELS.

MARBLE AND MARBLEIZED MANTels, rich and elegant designs. Over 500 mantels on hand at A. KLABERG'S, Nos. 124 and 126 East 13th-st., near 3d-av. Price list on application. Cut this out.

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WATCH AND JEWELRY ESTABLISHment for sale of 27 years' standing, in one of the best business localities of the City; has a good trade, and is clearing three years' lease from 1st May; is a low rent; the store is well known and has a good trade attached; satisfactory reasons for selling. For full particulars and terms of sale apply to QUINCHE & KRUGLER, Nos. 5 and 10 John-st., up stairs.

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CARPET PAPER.
A present prize to every buyer of a carpet, one and a quarter yards wide, SOFT and THICK, and only FIVE CENTS per yard.
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LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.
Leave Jamaica:—8 A. M., Mail train for Northport and Greenport; 10:35 A. M., for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport; 2 P. M., Greenport Express; 4:40 P. M., for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington, Northport and Yaphank; 5:30 P. M., for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport; 7 P. M., for Jamaica and Hempstead. All trains connect with branch for Hempstead. Sunday trains for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport leaves Hunter's Point at 9 A. M. and 6 P. M.
L. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD.
CHANGE OF TIME.
MONDAY, April 26, 1869, trains will leave 26th-st. and 4th-av. at 7 A. M. and 4 P. M., for Albany, Troy, Pittsfield, &c., and Chatham Mail train will leave at 10 A. M., and Pawling train at 6:15 P. M.
L. C. BUCKHOUT, Supt., &c.
NEW-YORK, April 26, 1869.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry, as follows, viz.:
5 A. M. Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.
530 A. M. Way Train, daily, for Greycourt and intermediate stations.
10 A. M. Express Mail, for Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.
11:30 A. M. Way Train, daily, for Port Jervis and intermediate stations.
3:30 P. M. Way Train, for Middletown and intermediate stations.
4:30 P. M. Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations west of Turner's, (except Otisville,) to Newburg, Warwick, Montgomery, Otisville and Port Jervis.
5 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
5:30 P. M. Night Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.
6 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
6:30 P. M. Night Express, daily, for all points West and South, with sleeping coaches will run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Cleveland and Cincinnati, without change.
8 P. M. Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.
10:45 P. M. Way Train, daily, for Suffern and intermediate stations.
Also Way Trains for Paterson and intermediate stations at 6:45 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M., and 1:45, 4, 6:45 and 11:30 P. M.
For Hackensack, at 9 A. M., 12 M. and 4, 5, 6 and 6:45 P. M.
SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A.M. Way Train for Greycourt; 11:30 A. M. for Port Jervis; 1:45 P. M. for Paterson; 6:30 P. M. Night Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South; 8 P. M. Emigrant and Way Train; 10:45 P. M. for Suffern.
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Tickets can be obtained, and orders for the checking and transfer of baggage may be left at the Company's offices, Nos. 241, 357 (corner 23d-st.) and 722 and 944 Broadway, depot foot of Chambers-st., New-York; also at Long Dock Depot, Jersey City, N. J.
WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass. Agent. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Sup't.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—Trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, leave New-York as follows: Chicago Express, 8:30 A. M.; Albany and Troy Express, 10:45 A. M.; Montreal Express, 11:45 A. M.; Pacific Express, 6:30 P. M.; Night Express, 11 P. M. Elegant drawing-room cars attached to all day trains, and sleeping cars to all night trains. The 6:30 P. M. train runs on Sundays.
APRIL 26, 1869. WM. H. VANDERBILT, V.-Prest.

SOUTHSIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Leave Roosevelt-st. Ferry, New-York: 8:30 A. M.; mail train, 3:15 P. M.; express for Sayville, Patchogue, &c., 4:15 P. M.; accommodation for Islip and 5:30 P. M. for Jamaica. Leave Islip, 6:45 A. M.; accommodation, and Sayville, 7:30 A. M., express, and 12:30 mail. Leave Jamaica, 7:35, 8:30 A. M. and 3:40 P. M.
R. WHITE, Superintendent.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Favorite Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 9 A. M., for Piermont, Nyack, Hills and Sloat's, daily, at 12, midnight. The 1 and 4:15 P. M. run through to Monsey. NOV. 2, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR ENVELOPES.
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, April 5, 1869.
SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Department until May 31, at 3 o'clock P. M., for furnishing envelopes for the use of the Post Office Department during a period of two years from the 1st of July, 1869. The estimated number of envelopes that will be required annually is as follows:
Class No. 1, 1,000,000, more or less, 3½ by 5½ inches.
Class No. 2, 4,000,000, more or less, 3½ by 5½ inches.
Class No. 3, 750,000, more or less, 3½ by 6½ inches.
Class No. 4, 500,000, more or less, 4½ by 6 inches.
Class No. 5, 200,000, more or less, 4½ by 6 inches.
For Class No. 1, an ordinary quality of buff or yellow paper will answer. The other classes to be made from rule blue, good quality buff or cream-colored paper, may be selected, of approved quality.
All the above-described envelopes must be made in the most thorough manner, well gummed for sealing upon the flap, and ready for use. They must have such printing upon the face as may be directed by the Postmaster-General. They must be bunded in parcels of twenty-five, packed in pasteboard or straw boxes; each to contain 500 envelopes, and be wrapped and letter size, and 100 each of extra letter, official, and extra official size, separately, or otherwise, as may be required; the boxes to be wrapped in strong paper, so as to be protected from injury in transit by the Postmasters. When required to be delivered at the Department, such wrapping will be dispensed with.
When 5,000 or more envelopes are required to fill the order, they must be packed in boxes, and put up in strong wooden boxes and properly addressed; but when less than 5,000 are required, proper labels of direction must be placed upon each package by the contractor; the whole to be done under the direction of an agent of the Department.
The envelopes must be furnished in such quantities as may from time to time be required to fill orders of Postmasters at such places as may be ordered, delivered either at the Post Office in the city where the accepted bidder resides, or at the envelope agency, or at the Department, as the Postmaster-General may direct, free of cost, at his office.
Bids are also invited for 60,000 envelopes, more or less, made from the best quality of white or buff paper, of 3½ by 5½ inches, to be made in the manner prescribed by the Department, for use in the Dead Letter Office and at the Stamped Envelope Agency in the City of New-York. These envelopes to be delivered in the office of the Dead Letter Office, or at the Agency in New-York and to the Department at Washington, D. C., in quantities as from time to time may be ordered.
Separate proposals will be considered for furnishing 100,000, more or less, annually, of "Registered Package Envelopes," 5 by 10½ inches, made from heavy buff or Manilla paper, with such printing on the face as may be required by the Postmaster-General, and STRIPED BOTH ACROSS THE FACE AND BACK, LENGTH-WISE, IN RED, the same to be put up in pasteboard or straw boxes, properly marked, and packed in wooden cases in quantities of 4,000 or 8,000 each, for delivery at the Department, or to Postmasters, as may be directed, free of charge for packing.
All envelopes furnished in this advertisement required for delivery at the Department are to be conveyed as freight, free of cost for transportation, those for delivery to Postmasters to pass as mail matter.
The first delivery of envelopes specified above to be made on or about the 1st of July next.
Specimens of the different kinds of envelopes for which proposals are invited may be seen on application at the principal Post Office, or at the Department.
Bidders are required to furnish specimens of the envelopes they propose to supply; and no bid will be considered unless made by the manufacturers, accompanied by satisfactory guarantees.
The price bid and the quality of samples submitted will be taken into consideration in awarding the contract.
Bonds will be required for the faithful performance of the contract, and all payments under it will be made quarterly.
The Postmaster-General reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if deemed compatible with the public interests.
Bids must be indorsed "Proposals for Office and Returned Letter Envelopes," &c.; or "Proposals for Registered Package Envelopes," as the case may be, and addressed to the Third Assistant Postmaster-General. JOHN A. J. CRESWELL,
Postmaster-General.

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT.—TO CONTRACTORS.—Separate sealed proposals, each indorsed with the title of the work to which it relates, the name of the bidder and the date of the proposal, will be received at this office (Rotunda Park) until 11 o'clock A. M. of SATURDAY, May 8, 1869, for the construction of stone-block pavements in the following other streets, viz.:
SPECIFICATION 1.—In 56th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.
SPECIFICATION 2.—In Avenue A, between Houston and 14th sts.
SPECIFICATION 3.—In 54th-st., between 2d-av. and East River.
SPECIFICATION 4.—In 9th-st., between 6th-av. and Broadway.
SPECIFICATION 5.—In 44th-st., between 8th and 9th ave.
SPECIFICATION 6.—In 49th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.
SPECIFICATION 7.—In 38th-st., between 6th and 7th ave.
SPECIFICATION 8.—In 26th-st., between 6th and 10th ave.
SPECIFICATION 9.—In Thomas-st., between Church and Hudson sts.
SPECIFICATION 10.—In

THE RYE NECK MURDER.

New and Important Developments—A Third and a Stranger—A Belated Villager Overturns Accepted Theories and Deepens the Mystery.

The cautious and shrewd detective, when dealing with a murder, always collects all possible facts as to the actual commission of the crime, as well as to the habits, characteristics and associates of the victim, before constructing anything to guide him in the investigation, and this was done by the detective charged with the unraveling of the Robinson murder at Rye Neck. It was the opinion of the detective, and of every one knowing ROBINSON intimately, that the murder was done by some acquaintance admitted by himself to the shop; and as he had no intimates except among the residents of the village and its vicinage it was universally conceded that the murderer must be looked for among the villagers. This view of the case was strengthened by the fact that extended inquiries had failed to find any one who had seen any stranger about the village during the night of the murder or the day preceding, and as it is perfectly well-known that no stranger can set foot in small country towns without instantly becoming the cynosure of all eyes, it was inferred as a certainty that none had been in the place.

But now comes a revelation that is diametrically the extreme, but still seems to give solid grounds on which the detective can work with a reasonable hope of finding the foul murderer within a fortnight from the date of the horrible blow. A witness has been discovered who is entirely reliable, and who, having been a resident of Mamaroneck for many years, is intimately acquainted with every resident of the neighborhood, and hence is not likely to be entrapped into a mistake as to the identity of any villager. His story is that late on Monday evening he was going home, and on passing ROBINSON's shop he heard a thud that sounded to him as if a two-pound weight had fallen to the floor. The door of the shop was closed, but, looking up, he saw the glimmer of a lamp through the fanlight over the door; and knowing the habits of the jeweler so well, he presumed he was at work, and passed on, without the incident making an impression on his mind at the time. He crossed the street diagonally, and thus struck the left-hand side of the bridge. The moon was shining brilliantly, and the belated villager saw every object about him as distinctly as if it had been noon-day. He could see the fishing smacks anchored in the Sound, swaying listlessly with the tide, and he could discern minute objects far down the deserted street. Where he passed upon the bridge is a dozen stores from ROBINSON's door, and the bridge itself, which is an open one, is not more than twenty-five feet in length, and the road on its farther side is guarded by a wooden rail on low posts. Against this rail, with one hand upon it, close up to the side of the bridge, stood a man with his face turned from the road and upon the Sound. This man was a stranger.

The villager as he came abreast of this man, rustic-like, greeted him with "Good evening, Sir." The stranger turned his face for an instant upon the speaker, scowled savagely, gave a slight, impatient shrug to his shoulders, and turned away without speaking. The villager had paused in his walk to receive the response to his salutation, but, seeing these demonstrations, and being a man of unusual speech, said: "Well, if you won't speak you can go to ——" and passed on to his home, looking back only once, and then seeing the stranger motionless as a statue chiseled upon the roadside. The villager locked at his clock the moment he entered his house, and saw that it was little o'clock. He had heard the thud five minutes previously; he had accosted the stranger two minutes later.

He had never seen that stranger before, and he has never seen him since; but he is minutely photographed upon his mind, and he thus describes him: A man about five feet nine inches high, of heavy but shapely build, a high forehead, a very prominent beaked nose, a thin visage, side whiskers, long dark hair, a long, narrow, bony hand, remarkably small feet encased in light boots, the tops of which were flared with red leather, as could be seen, for his pantaloons were thrust inside them. This man of singular physical formation was as singularly dressed. Upon his head was a low crowned, stiff black hat, set resolutely on the back of his head, and he wore, what was remarkable for the season and the place, an overcoat of heavy cloth, of which was lined with red. The overcoat was unbuttoned, and under it could be seen dark clothes that tightly fitted his robust person. This is the man described by the villager, who is to whose identity he will make oath whenever and wherever he shall see him next. The stranger may cut his hair and shave his face; he may destroy his remarkable clothes, and may assume any one of a score of disguises, but he cannot alter his nose nor the shape of his face, nor the size of his hands and feet, and the villager declares he will know him anywhere and at any time.

One other circumstance has been unearthed as a fact from the interminable gossip of the village. A resident of a neighboring town, returning home Monday night from a social gathering, passed ROBINSON's shop about 11:30 o'clock. As he drove by he noticed two men standing on the sidewalk immediately in front of the jeweler's door. To him there was nothing peculiar or unusual in the matter, and scarcely glancing at the men, he drove on. He cannot say whether the men were strangers or not, nor can he describe their costume, and his testimony is important only because it shows that somebody was prowling about the town at a late hour. But the patience of the detective has been rewarded with the acquisition of other facts which are no less valuable because of their negative character. In days of old this kind of is always vastly important to know who is not the murderer, and it now seems that all the residents of Rye Neck and Mamaroneck are satisfactorily accounted for. Especially is this the case with the person suspected by the whole town, but who, for reasons not necessary to state, it seems certain could not have committed the crime. This is equally true of all the persons who were in STUMM's lager-beer saloon on Monday night, and who saw the money paid to ROBINSON. It seems a certainty that not one of them followed him to his shop with the design of robbing or killing him, or, indeed, followed him at all. All these are negatives, but they simplify the case wonderfully.

But the belated villager, with his thud and his stranger, and the social resident with his two lingerers in the street, have upset all previously accepted theories, and have enveloped the affair in a seemingly more impenetrable mist. Every fact is laden with a deduction, and it is inferred that the thud was the sound made by the murderer dropping the end of the musket-barrel upon the floor after dealing the fatal blow, that the stranger by the bridge was the "outside pal to give the office," or in plain English the confederate to give warning of danger by a prearranged signal, and that the two lingerers of the social resident were the alarmed assassins seen at the moment they were beginning that flight which no human eye followed. These inferences, however, lead to great perplexities, and the detective is yet grappling with them as with unsolved problems. How did these strangers gain admission without violence to the shop of ROBINSON at a late hour of the night? Not having been seen during the day how did they know that it was presumable the jeweler had money? If the assassin came upon his victim when the latter was awake, why was there no outcry or struggle, or why was ROBINSON only partially undressed if he had retired for the night? If he had retired is it possible he inadvertently left his door unlocked, or is it probable that a man of his cautious habits would have acceded to the request of a stranger for a lodging for the night? These and a many more are questions that need not be asked at all so long as the theory that a treacherous friend had done the deed was undisputed, but the moment a stranger comes upon the scene they must not only be asked, but are for the time unanswerable. Enigmas as they seem, yet they must be solved by the body itself, which District-Attorney DYCKMAN has ordered to be exhumed for proper medical examination. The post-mortem made was of the most superficial character, and has left in doubt such simple but highly important matters, as whether there were finger-marks upon the throat, or whether the tongue was protruding after death, which, being resolved affirmatively, would prove the victim to have been seized when awake, to have been strangled, to have been forced back semi-insensible upon the bed to receive the fatal blow, and proving all this, to change the entire legal diagnosis of the case. Knowing the importance of the point, Mr. DYCKMAN has ordered the examination, and will have a searching post-mortem made by skillful experts, and as he will hereafter conduct the examination before the Coroner, it is certain that the witnesses will be exhausted, and all that is of value as evidence obtained.

There are many rumors current in the village, and the theories constructed upon them are at least as numerous as the inhabitants. But the rumors generally having no basis of fact to rest upon, the theories are valueless. Even when facts are present, the deductions are sometimes unreasonable, as appears to be the case in the revelation that on Monday, about noon, ROBINSON had an altercation on the bridge with a villager of unsavory repute, apparently concerning some old difficulty, for the jeweler was heard to say: "You are mistaken, for I never said anything against you!" The deduction from this mid-day bridge scene is a matter for revenge, but it must ignore the hands of the bloody fingers in the night, which seem to prove so conclusively a cool, determined, premeditated killing for money. But in pursuing an unknown assassin everything is of moment, and this matter being worthy of attention is mooted. It is the plaything of fate and every other is being vigorously worked up, and if nothing tangible or certain is developed at the inquest on Wednesday next, it will not be because no effort has been made. The county authorities have offered a reward of $100 for the apprehension of the murderer, and this has been supplemented by $100 offered by the citizens of Rye Neck and Mamaroneck. If detective skill and pertinacious effort can hunt down this assassin, hunted down he will be, but skill and effort as yet have hardly got scent of the game.

Arrest for Alleged Arson.

Between 12 and 1 o'clock yesterday morning a fire was discovered in the cellar of No. 225 Wayne-street, Jersey City, occupied on the first floor by CHARLES BUSH as a grocery store, and the upper part by Mrs. DELAREE as a boarding-

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Richly did the disciples drink in his spirit. They were no dreamers, they were workers, and as much by the eloquence or reasoning powers, but by their more powerful weapons of patience and active labor, not flowing ebullitions beginning and ending in words. Our faith is a practical agent, intended to pursue practical works and supply practical aid. A few centuries back Christianity was lulled to sleep. It was the fashion of the time to lie in this idle, listless condition, yet its life was not extinguished though it slumbered. Dwelling in cloisters it kept charge of its little deeds, copying the Bible and preserving ancient traditions, and this was no unimportant work. It preserved a barrier against infidelity and barbarism, kept the essential faith alive, and thus proved a true worker. This is an age of earnest activity. Everywhere we see the deep workings of the human mind, the kindling of enlightenment and upheaving of earnest, active passion, and though we must not in general conform to the world, yet in this respect the Church might profitably imitate the advancement of the age. While the world is awake the Church must not sleep; if the former is bursting away from technicalities and rising to larger and broader views and action, it is not for the latter to rest supinely with folded arms, but copy its spirit in so far as it breathes animation. Children of the Church should not be mere hearers, while the people of the world are moulding everything into palpable results. The reverend doctor then referred to the work of the Society. The time was coming, he said, when the highest refinement should prevail in the land, when words of blasphemy would cease to be heard, wars cease from among men, and error, false doctrine, vice and profligacy be driven from the presence of mankind; when commerce, science, and art should be the allies of Christianity, and purity and love, and the praise and glory of God should resound to the ends of the earth. To this end is the Society laboring; to this glorious result shall their work contribute. Notwithstanding they should have to encounter with skepticism and the so-called religion of reason, out of the Church and in the Church, with the tendency to magnify church organization above the faith of which it is the conservator, the chaff above the wheat, the casket above the jewel, the forms of religion above the substance—yet, taking the Bible as their chart, that great guide which reason could not create and cannot destroy, they will prosper in their work as surely as Christianity must triumph, and the Lord reign over all the earth, and when God bless them, and cause the waste places to be built up, and the desert to blossom as the garden of the Lord.

Rev. Dr. Frothingham on Secular Religion.

The new meeting place of the Third Unitarian Society, at Lyric Hall, in Sixth-avenue, near Forty-first-street, was occupied for the first time yesterday morning. The Society have sold their church in Fortieth-street at a handsome profit, and leased the present building until they can make arrangements for building a hall in some central locality, with rooms adapted for lectures, literary, dramatic, social or other entertainments, with stores underneath, from which an income may be derived sufficient to make the seats free. For the present the pew system is to be continued, but, as heretofore, strangers will always be welcome. The service yesterday did not differ from that on ordinary occasions. Rev. Mr. FROTHINGHAM preached on "Secular Religion" from the text "Behold the hour cometh and now is when neither in this temple nor at Jerusalem shall you worship the Father." These words, he said, conveyed the intimation that the time was coming when the forms of religion should be laid aside, and worship become free, open and spiritual. We have left our church to come to a hall in obedience to this feeling, not because we could not keep up our church, or wanted a better one, but because we were opposed to having a church. We take this hall because it is a secular building, used for secular purposes, and in doing so we stand before the world in the true light. We wish religion to take its place among the other respectable and innocent things of our common life—Science, Art, Literature and Amusement. It may be said this will lower religion, but such will not be the case. It is a poor compliment to religion that it must shut itself from the world. Ever since history began, man has been trained by religion; and must all discipline pass for naught? Must religion ever live in the nursery, and cannot it take its place with the other forces which surround man? If not, it is no longer a social power!

The vital question of the age is the relation of religion to life. Once in this question religion was paramount to life, and controlled all its aspects and relations. But by the progress of science, art, literature and other influences, the condition of affairs is reversed, and the question now is, will the world accept religion or not? Religion hangs on the outskirts of society, and the Church, instead of ruling is ruled by the world. Religion does not affect politics, trade, or any other of the great movements of the time, and is losing its hold on men. The reverend speaker said this is a great misfortune, for it is indispensable that men should have a religion; but to effect this it is religion that must be modified and not life—the interests of which are beyond alteration by man and cannot be changed. He then proceeded to show that in order to exert an influence on practical life, religion must become unecclesiastical—must cease to be theological. It must cease to lay so much stress on the future, and devote a little time to guiding them in the present life. It must also cease to claim interest in itself as a peculiar institution, and must take its place with other agents in life. He concluded by drawing a powerful picture of the future which is in store for religion, when it shall comply with these requirements and become rightly secularized.

Defence of the Christian Religion.

Rev. WM. J. LOOMIS lectured at the Antioch Baptist Church, in Bleecker-street, last evening, his lecture being entitled "The Failure of the Christian Religion." The title was a misnomer, however, the lecturer acknowledging that he used it for the purpose of attracting attention to the theories of certain skeptical thinkers about the impotency of the Christian religion, which he should undertake to controvert. He said that it was unjust to pronounce education a failure because of its inability to make all persons equally intelligent; religion was it sound reason to say of the Christian religion that it was a failure because of the ignorance of mankind. The truth of God has remained intact and glorious against all attacks, and it was not to be supposed that it was destroyed because it had not succeeded in converting the world after the lapse of eighteen centuries.

Rev. S. A. Corey on Representative Young Men in Folly and Vice.

A very appreciative audience assembled at the Murray Hill Baptist Chapel, in Lexington-avenue, near Thirty-seventh-street, last evening, to listen to a sermon by Rev. SIDNEY A. COREY, on "Representative Young Men in Folly and Vice." The speaker said that there are in a large city like New-York more than a thousand petty excitements continually occurring to prevent young men who come here from the country from exercising profound reflection on any subject pertaining to their temporal and eternal well-being, and if was against those in the first place he desired to caution young men who come here to seek their fortunes. With regard to the multitudinous dissipations in which city young men now indulge, it is a sad reflection that many of the heretofore most respectable families are fast dying out. In country life there are no perilous excitements such as the city affords, and hence there is not such a waste and tear either of the physical or mental system. Hence a vigorous frame generally distinguishes those who come here from the rural districts, and if they pursue the right and virtuous path, they become mentally the superiors of such as are city-bred, their mental organism being continually aided in its exercise by a healthful and robust physique. The country is constantly renovating the city and pouring new life into its veins. Unfortunately, too many of those who come here, however, become by dissipation mere wrecks of humanity, ruin their prospects both for this life and the life hereafter, and sink into an early grave. The great adversary here spreads his nets on every course, and is too successful in

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At the services in this church yesterday morning, a new choir of men and boys, was introduced for the occasion. The chanting was rolling in sweet surprise, and placed on either side of the chancel, and the antiphonal singing of the chants was exceedingly effective. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. HOWLAND, from the text, St. John xx. 17, "Touch me not! for I am not yet ascended to my Father." Mary Magdalene, he said, to whom these words were spoken, was a type of those who love much, but who give themselves to outward acts of love to the neglect of spiritual duties. She had spent her living not on the poor, but on the alabaster box of ointment for Christ's body; and when she should have been looking for the risen Saviour, she was merely seeking a dead friend. Jesus praised her love once, when the disciples censured her act; but on this occasion, He leads her thoughts upward to a more spiritual service. He repels her, but His words imply that, after His ascension, she will be permitted a new and more blessed communion with Him. The other women are allowed to touch him; the dull-hearted disciple may even "handle" Him, and doubting Thomas may even "thrust his hand into His side," but something more is reserved for the intenser love of Mary Magdalene. As He first showed himself to her, so to her He gives his highest blessing. He associates this blessing, however, with His ascension, precisely as at Capernaum He associated our eating His flesh and dwelling with Him, with His ascension. We understand from Him that there is a spiritual presence in the Holy Supper which replaces the material presence withdrawn by His ascension. And as Christ never rejects love or refuses prayer but to grant higher favors, so His new presence, spiritual though it be, must be more real than any material contact, nearer than the touching His flesh, sweeter than resting on His breast.

Rev. Dr. T. E. CONRAD is associate rector of the church with Rev. Dr. HOWLAND. The building is on the corner of Fifth-avenue and Forty-fifth-street, and has been completed but a few weeks. The pews were nearly all taken by the second Sunday.

Rev. Horace Cook's Sermon to Young Men.

A sermon to young men was preached yesterday evening, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Seventh-street, by its pastor, Rev. HORACE COOK. The text was chosen from the fourth chapter, twenty-third verse of the Acts of the Apostles—"And being let go they went to their own company." Speaking of the incarceration of Peter, the reverend gentleman said there are influences more potent than chains, and they are the congenial tastes and tendencies which bind the mind and lead man whereseever they will. In every one there is some ruling passion or inclination, be it good or evil. If good, and the offspring of early religious training, it leads to happiness. If evil, the result is ruin. Give a young person the slightest bent for good or evil, and as he grows in age and strength it will also grow, giving character to him. Character is an edifice which is built up slowly, step by step, of which one rotten timber will be the total of destruction. Therefore it is the duty of guardians to pay the strictest attention to the early training of those in their care. Christian young men should add the strength of their counsel and influence to the furtherance of Christianity—for every pulse of true and Christian heart assists the good and tends to conquer evil. Let no man hide his talent like the slothful servant because he may not deem himself adequate to the work. It is his duty to lend his aid to the cause, be it man's; results are in God's, and He will take care of them. He illustrated this by recounting the great consequences which followed the writing of a little tract by an unknown personage. It converted RICHARD BAXTER, who wrote one that converted PHILIP DODRIDGE, who in turn wrote one which was read by the great WILBERFORCE. He wrote a book after, and read by LEIGH RICHMOND, who has since written the little story, *The Dairyman's Daughter*, which has been instrumental in bringing thousands to Christ. No doubt the writer of that first tract never anticipated any great results from his little effort on behalf of the Church. He simply attempted to do it as a portion of his duty. The pastor closed his address with an earnest appeal to all young men and old to seek Christ and to take into their hearts his religion—for without its restraint, they can be led into extravagant iniquities, which will entail everlasting destruction.

Dedicatory Services at St. Paul's Reformed Dutch Church.

The new edifice of St. Paul's Reformed Dutch Church, on Reservoir-square, Fortieth-street, was dedicated yesterday with appropriate ceremonies. The pulpit was very beautifully adorned with several floral designs, the gifts of members of the congregation, including a large anchor largely composed of camellias and lilies, a basket with the motto, "Jesus only," and a large bank of flowers with the words, "Jehovah Jireh."

Rev. ALEXANDER THOMPSON, Pastor of the church, delivered the invocation; Rev. J. B. THOMPSON, of Tarrytown, read the Scriptures, from Isaiah, thirty-fifth chapter, and 1 Peter, second chapter. Chancellor FERRIS followed by reading the usual dedication service, and gave a brief address of congratulation to the Pastor and congregation. Rev. Dr. EDDY then preached from Eph., 1: 22, 23. He took for his subject the analogy between the Church as a spiritual body and the human body, which he treated in three divisions, first, the Church as a body, the Head being one vital principle; second, that the Church is a true organizer, and an instrument through which Christ acts; and third, that the Church is only a spiritual manifestation of Christ. He concluded by denying that religious feeling is extinct, and claimed that the present is as great an age of Faith as any which have preceded it. The exercises closed with singing and the benediction.

The St. Paul's Reformed Church was organized in 1826, and has since been under the charge of Rev. E. H. MAY, Rev. DR. VAN NEST, Dr. BETHUNE and Dr. ALEX. THOMPSON, who has been pastor since 1862. Rev. Dr. BETHUNE was connected with the Church at the time of his death in 1860. The Church numbers 300 members, and has an attendance of about 500. The congregation have been worshipping in Lyric Hall since June, 1858, and only lately bought their present edifice from the Third Unitarian Society.

The "Religion of Humanity."

Meetings take place every fourth Sunday at PLIMPTON's Rooms in Stuyvesant-street of those interested in the religion of humanity. This religion, they affirm, is in contradistinction to the self-seeking usually practiced by churchgoers. The latter, if they go to places of worship at all from religious motives, go simply with a view of saying prayers which will benefit themselves only, or of listening to a discourse which may interest their minds. Those who attend lectures upon the religion of humanity, on the contrary, it is asserted, do so with a hope of learning modes of benefiting mankind, and take no thought for their personal welfare. The lecturer yesterday was Mr. HENRY EDGER, a close student of the doctrines of AUGUSTE COMTE, the French Positive Philosopher. The subject was "1789," or the epoch of the first French Revolution. Mr. EDGER not only gave the leading facts of that era, but touched upon the abolition it effected of many abuses of the past, and upon the great impetus it had given to the progress of mankind. Much, he said, remained yet to be done before a universal welfare could be obtained for men. The exactions of the money barons of to-day were far more crushing to the masses, than the tyranny of the French Crown and aristocracy of last century. The Reign of Terror, he asserted, was not the result of the revolution which breathed only peace and brotherhood, but by the king, clergy and nobles, who resisted the just demands of the people. This discourse was one of a series, and suggested no plans for human amelioration. It was simply illustrative and historical. Next Sunday afternoon the subject of strikes and trades unions will be discussed by Mr. EDGER, and on the 30th inst. he will speak on "Woman's Share in the Social Reconstruction."

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

JOHN MCBRIDE, of No. 90 West Twenty-Eighth-street, when passing through Eleventh-avenue, near Forty-third-street, about 1 o'clock yesterday morning, was seized by two young highwaymen who demanded his money. The cries of MCBRIDE soon brought up Officers BRADY and MOONEAN, of the Twenty-second Precinct, who arrived in time to capture both the ruffians who gave their names as JOHN HEYWOOD and JAMES CUMMINGS. Yesterday morning they were arraigned before Justice CONNOLLY at the Fifty-seventh-street Police Court and were committed in default of $2,000 bail each for trial at the General Sessions.

At an early hour yesterday morning a fire occurred in the dwelling of DAVID DICK, in One Hundred and Fourth-street, near Tenth-avenue, doing extensive injury to furniture, which is, however, covered by a policy in the Citizens'

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to hold an inquest.

MARGARET CUNNINGHAM, having fallen into the North River from Pier No. 14, had the good fortune to be fished out by Officers GILLESPIE and BUCKRIDGE, of the Twenty-seventh Precinct.

JAMES HALLAWAY, of No. 200 Broome-street, fell yesterday on the corner of Broome and Chrystie streets, and seriously injured his head.

MARY PHALON, No. 276 East Seventy-fourth-street, died suddenly yesterday morning from disease of the heart. Coroner ROLLINS will hold an inquest.

A small boat, containing two men, capsized last evening in Harlem River, near Central Bridge, and notwithstanding every exertion was made to save both, one of the men was drowned. He was a resident of Westchester County, and was named THOMAS MCMANNUS. The body has not yet been recovered.

Last evening a man was found in the street suffering from fits, and was sent to Bellevue Hospital. He stated that his name is GEO. W. REED, and that he is a son of Judge REED, of Philadelphia, Ex-United States Minister to China.

The Central Park meteorological report for last week sets forth the following facts and figures: Barometer—Mean, 29.867 inches; maximum, (9 P. M., April 25,) 30.066 inches; minimum, (9 P. M., May 1,) 29.546 inches; range, .468. Thermometer—Mean, 50.81 degrees; maximum, (1 P. M., April 27,) 74 degrees; minimum, (5 A. M., April 30,) 38 degrees; range 36. April 29, rain from 10:45 P. M. to midnight; amount of water, .03 inch. April 29, rain from midnight to 2:15 P. M.; amount of water, .38 inch. May 1, rain from 8:30 A. M. to midnight; amount of water, .58 inch. Total of water for week, .97 inch.

Rev. THOMAS STREET delivered a lecture last evening upon "Drinking," at the North Presbyterian Church, on the corner of Thirty-first-street and Ninth-avenue. The inclement state of the weather did not prevent a large gathering, and throughout the lecture the theme carried with it the marked attention of the audience. The lecturer took for his text, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." (Prov. 20, chap. iv.)

New-Jersey.

An old resident of Hudson County, who tribe, proposes the enactment of a law prohibiting has followed shad-fishing for the past fifty years, and who mourns over the constantly growing scarcity of that most delicious family of the finny fishing for shad except between the 1st of March and 28th of May, and stopping the wholesale destruction of the small fish which is practiced at many points up the North River, where they are caught in small meshes and used for manure. He also suggests that no net should be permitted to be used with meshes less than five and one-half inches. Such a law would not only protect shad, but bass and other delicious fish common to the Hudson River.

Negotiations are pending for the right of way for the extension of the Morris and Essex Railroad between Paterson and tidewater. The proposed extension would not only furnish a new road from the coal regions, but would also be an important passenger route through Central New-York to Lake Ontario, besides giving to Paterson a new and more direct communication with Morris and Warren Counties, N. J., as well as to New-York City.

HENRY A. HELLERMAN has been appointed Postmaster at Hudson City, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. TEFFT.

In the case of BENJAMIN W. COLE, the Sunday School teacher, tried last week in the Passaic County Court, for an alleged outrage on one of his female scholars, the jury returned a verdict of assault.

In the same Court, CHAS. IEEN, convicted of having committed an outrage on a woman at Passaic, was sent to the State Prison five years.

At noon, yesterday, a chimney fire occurred in a rear tenement-house, belonging to Mr. MCMANUS, in Morgan-street, near Grove-street, Jersey City, caused by one of the inmates attempting to kindle a fire with kerosene.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, May 1—1 P. M.

COTTON—The market closed quiet at the following quotations: Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 11¼d. The sales of the day have been 8,000 bales. FLOUR—Western, 24s. 6d. ⅌ cwt for Common North Carolina. Turpentine, 38s. 3d. ⅌ cwt.

HAVRE, Saturday, May 1.

COTTON—The market opens quiet and steady.

LONDON, Saturday, May 1—11 A. M.

To-day being a holiday the Stock Market is closed.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, May 1—11 A. M.

COTTON—The market opens quiet and steady. Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 11¼d. The sales of the day are estimated at 6,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—Corn is firmer but not quotably higher.

PARIS, Saturday, May 1.

Bourse strongs; Rentes, 70f. 5c.

FRANKFORT, Saturday, May 1.

United States Five-twenties closed at 87 for the issue of 1862.

ANTWERP, Saturday, May 1.

Petroleum easier; Refined, 51¼f.

HAVRE, Saturday, May 1.

Cotton closed buoyant at last quotations.

AMSTERDAM, Saturday, May 1.

United States Five-twenties are quoted to-day at 88¼@88⅝.

HAVANA, Saturday, May 1.

The following is the report of our markets, for the week ending to-day: SUGAR—Large business, but prices steady; market closed buoyant at 5¼@6 rls. for Nos. 10 to 12, and 6¼@6½ rls. for Nos. 15 to 20, D. S. LARD has sold at 20½c. per pound. FREIGHTS—Flour fast at $2 25@$2 37. BUTTER steady at 26c. BACON steady at 10½c. HONEY firm at 4¼@4½ rls. WAX—Yellow quiet, at 17 @18 rls.; White buoyant at 21 @22 rls. ⅌ arroba. PETROLEUM active at 5¼@5½ rls. ⅌ gallon. POTASHES, $2 25 ⅌ bbl. HAMS active. LUMBER in demand; Yellow Pine, $28; White, $27. SHOOKS for boxes in demand, at 8½ rls.; for hhds. dull, at 22 12½. Empty hhds. steady, at $1 25. FREIGHTS declining; on Sugar to United States, $1 25@$1 50 ⅌ box; $6 50@7 25 ⅌ hhd.; on Molasses, ⅌ hhd. $5 50@6 25; ⅌ ton to England, 35s.@40s. EXCHANGE—On London, 11½@12 premium; on Paris, 1⅝@1⅞ ⅌ cent. discount; on United States, sixty days, 1⅝@2 ⅌ cent. discount; on United States, sight, 3¼@3½ ⅌ cent premium. Sugar—Stock in warehouse at Havana and Matanzas 204,500 boxes and 16,000 hhds.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Saturday, May 1.

EXCHANGE on New-York irregular at par, buying, and 1-32 ⅌ cent premium selling. FLOUR dull; Spring Extra, $4 75@$5. WHEAT quiet; sales of No. 1 at $1 14@$1 15; No. 2, $1 10; the market was unchanged this afternoon. CORN firmer at 38½c. ⅌ bu. for No. 1; 38½c.@38¾c. for No. 2; 40½c.@40¾c. for Rejected, and 41c.@41½c. for Sound. OATS were at an advance of ½c.@1c.; sales of No. 2 at 26½c.@26½c. RYE quiet at $1 12@$1 16½. BARLEY dull and nominal at $1 07½@$1 12½. PROVISIONS firmer; Pork was asked. LARD was offered. MESS PORK, $20 50@$21. LARD dull and nominal at 11½c.@11¾c. Sweet-pickled HAMS nominal at 16c.@16½c.; Cumberlands, 14½c.; Short Ribs, 15½c.; Short Clear, 16½c. Live Hogs dull at a decline of 10@15c.; sales at $5 60@$5 75 for Fair to Good Choice. Beef CATTLE quiet at $3 20@$3 for Fair to Good Steers; $2 25@$2 50 for Fair to Medium; $2 75@$3 for Good to Choice Second-class Steers. RECEIPTS—4,000 bbls. Flour, 30,000 bushels Wheat, 20,000 bushels Corn, 2,000 bushels Oats, 3,000 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—12,000 bbls. Flour, 158,000 bushels Wheat, 72,000 bushels Corn, 15,000 bushels Oats, 1,400 Cattle, 1,000 Hogs. FREIGHTS dull and heavy, at 5c. on Corn to Buffalo.

OSWEGO, Saturday, May 1.

FLOUR in good demand, but prices are unchanged; sales 1,200 bbls. at $5 ⅌ bbl. for No. 1 Spring; $4 50 for Amber Winter; $4 50 for Extra; $5 25@$5 50 for Double Extra. WHEAT dull and unchanged; sales of small lots of No. 1 Milwaukee Club at $1 42; No. 2 Chicago Spring held at $1 38, and White Canada at $1 60@$1 65. Corn nominal; No. 1 is selling in lots at 80c.; New Illinois was offered to arrive, at 70c. OATS dull; small sales of Western at 70c. BARLEY held at $1 00@$1 05 for Canadian. RYE and PEAS inactive. PROVISIONS—Mess Pork, $20 50@$21. Freights—To Boston, 6c.; to New-York, 6c.; to Albany, 50c. Lake IMPORTS—32,000 bushels Wheat, 1,300 bushels Barley, 4,400 bushels Rye, 600,000 feet of Lumber.

ST. LOUIS, Saturday, May 1.

TOBACCO steady, but unchanged. COTTON unchanged. FLOUR heavy and unchanged. WHEAT easier; Prime and Choice Red, $1 37@$1 40; Fancy White, $1; Spring, in sacks, $1 01@$1 11½ for Fair to Prime, and $1 16@$1 18 for Choice. CORN dull at 35c.@35½c. BARLEY unchanged. RYE steady at $1 24@$1 32. WHISKY dull at 20c.@21c. PORK dull and unchanged. BULK MEATS—Loose Shoulders at Keokuk, 11½c.; BACON—Clear Rib Sides at 12½c.; Sides for Clear Sides. LARD dull; Choice Country Kettle, 17½c.; Choice City, 18c. CATTLE steady at $4@$5 25. HOGS, $4@$5. RECEIPTS—4,000 bbls. Flour, 8,000 bushels Wheat, 5,000 bushels Corn, 4,000 bushels Oats, 3,300 bushels Barley.

CINCINNATI, Saturday, May 1.

FLOUR dull and unchanged. WHEAT held at $1 30@$1 40 for No. 2 and Fair Winter. CORN is firmer and lower; the supply is large; sales at 38c.@39c.; not offered freely. OATS unchanged; the supply is light. BARLEY unchanged. COTTON quiet and unchanged. PROVISIONS—Lard, 11½c. Pork, $20 50@$21. Bulk Meats held at 12c.@12½c. BACON, 12c.@12½c.@17c.; concession of ½c.@¾c. were offered to make sales. LARD held at 16c. for prime Kettle; there was but little demand. GOLD, 1¼@¼. MONEY easy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, May 1.

FLOUR—A member of sales for export were made to-day at $4 87½. WHEAT market firm, at $1 37½@$1 38. WHEAT heavy; sales of choice at $1 40. LEGAL TENDERS, 75¼c. MINING STOCKS have been active during the week; a corner has been developed in Morgan Mountain, about the stock as high as $100, the market closed at a general advance; Alpha, $41; Belcher, $30; Bullion, $31; Chollar, $102; Confidence, $50; Crown Point, $35; Empire Mill, $37; Gould & Curry, $102; Hale & Norcross, $102; Imperial, $32; Kentuck, $25; Occidental, $28; Ophir, $93; Overman,

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Tonnage—Sales of 1,000 tons Cumberland Coal delivered at Lynn, $4 25@$4 50; Manufacturing Lead, 4½c. NEW-YORK, May 1.—ASHES quiet at $5 50@$5 62½ for Pots, and $5 ⅌ barrel. BEEF quiet; Prime Mess, $18@$19; Prime, $13@$14. BACON—Shoulders, 12½c.@12¾c.; Clear Rib Sides, 14½c.@15c.; Clear Sides, 15½c.@16c. BUTTER—Ohio, 14c.@16c.; Western, 16c.@18c.; Clear Ribs Sides, 15¼c.; Clear Sides, 16¼c. FLOUR, $5 20@$5 25. WHEAT, $1 40@$1 45. CORN, 60c.@62c. OATS, 42c. ⅌ bu. RYE, $1 07. WHISKY, 21c. COTTON, 20c.

MEMPHIS, Saturday, May 1.

COTTON firmer; LOW Middlings, 20½c.; receipts, 238 bales; exports, 340 bales. FLOUR heavy; Superfine, $5 25@$5 75. CORN, 70c. PORK, $22. LARD, 12c.@12½c. BACON firm; Shoulders, 12½c.; Sides, 17½c.@17¾c. Bulk MEATS dull; Shoulders, 12½c.; Sides, 15½c.

BALTIMORE, Saturday, May 1.

COTTON quiet and steady at 20c. for Middlings. FLOUR dull and irregular. WHEAT dull and weak. Choice Red, $1 15. CORN dull; Prime White, 52c.@53c.; Yellow, 57c. OATS dull at 30c.@32c. for Light; 34c.@36c. for Heavy. RYE dull and nominal at $1 05. PROVISIONS unchanged. WHISKY dull at 21c.

MOBILE, Ala., Saturday, May 1.

COTTON quiet; sales 600 bales, including 200 after the close of the market yesterday; Low Middlings, 20½c.@20¾c.; receipts, 105 bales; no exports.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Saturday, May 1.

Spirits TURPENTINE firm at 41½c. RESIN, $1 90@$2. Crude TURPENTINE unchanged. TAR unchanged. COTTON quiet at 20c.@20½c.

DETROIT, Saturday, May 1.

WHEAT active and firm; Extra White, $1 77@$1 78; No. 1 do., $1 60; No. 2 do., $1 50@$1 51. CORN, 35c. OATS, 25c.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Saturday, May 1.

COTTON closed firm; Middlings, 20½c.; sales, 350 bales; receipts, 375 bales; exports, coastwise, 651 bales.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Saturday, May 1.

COTTON market firmer; sales, 520 bales; receipts, 130 bales; Middlings, 20½c.@20¾c.

Philadelphia Stock Board.

PHILADELPHIA, Saturday, May 1.

Stocks steady; Pennsylvania State Fives, 101½; Philadelphia and Erie Railroad, 10¼; Reading Railroad, 49; Pennsylvania Railroad, —; Gold, 1¼¾.

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Siberia.....May 4...New-York....Liverpool.
Denmark.....May 5...New-York....Liverpool.
Idaho.....May 5...New-York....Liverpool.
Palmyra.....May 6...New-York....Liverpool.
Denmark.....May 6...New-York....Bremen.
Cella.....May 8...New-York....London.
City of Baltimore...May 8...New-York....Liverpool.
Columbia.....May 8...New-York....Glasgow.

FOR HAVANA AND VERA CRUZ.

Columbia.....May 6...New-York....Havana.
City of Mexico...May 8...New-York....Vera Cruz.

Departure of Foreign Mails.

TUESDAY.

Mails for Halifax, Bermuda, &c., by the *City of Manchester*, close at the General Post Office at 11 A. M.

Mails for Europe, via Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg, by the *Germania*, close at 12 A. M. Supplementary mail for *paid* letters on Pier foot of Third-street, Hoboken, to 1:45 P. M.

Closing of Domestic Mails.

North, Poughkeepsie Way.....11 A. M.; 4 P. M.
North, through H. R. R.....11 A. M.
and New-York Central.....8 A. M.; 4, 8:15 P. M.
North Way, via Harlem R. R., Chatham Four Corners.....8 A. M.
East, via New-Haven.....8 A. M.; 1:30, 6 P. M.
East, *via* Newport.....8 A. M.
East, New-Haven Way.....8 A. M.; 2:30 P. M.
East, Fall River, rail.....8 P. M.
South, Through.....8 A. M.; 7:30 P. M.
Philadel